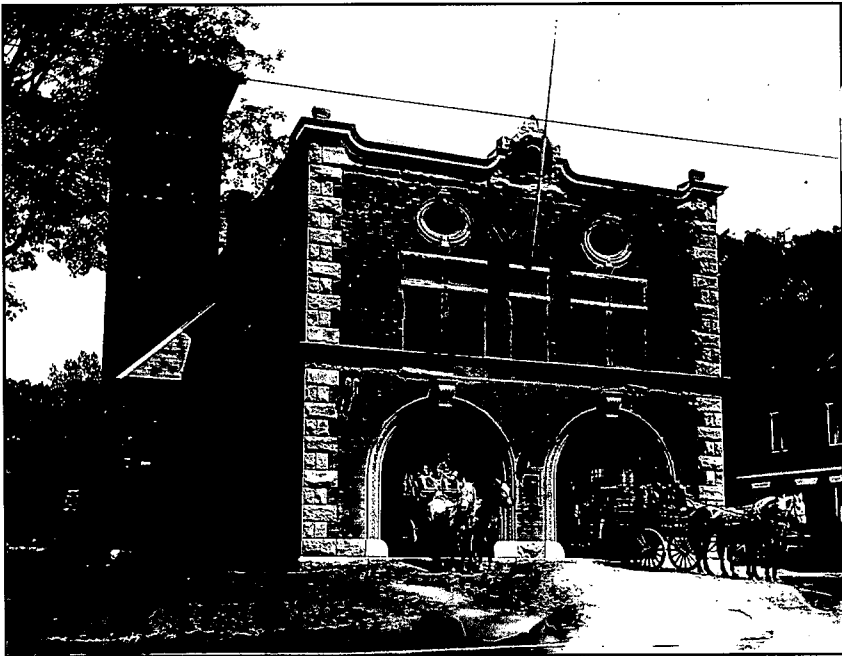
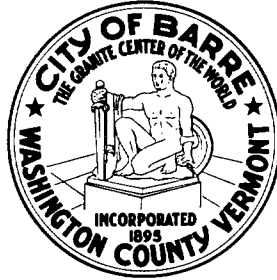


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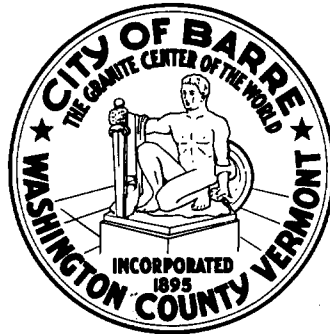
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*1904-2005*

**Fiscal Year**  
**July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004**

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH REPORT

OF THE

CITY OF BARRE  
VERMONT



For the Fiscal Year Ended  
June 30, 2004



## **THE 2004 CITY OF BARRE ANNUAL REPORT**

**is dedicated to**

**GABINO "BENNY" AJA, SR.**

City Council Resolution 2003-05 which accompanies this dedication helps to recall something of what Benny meant to the City of Barre and surrounding communities. The photo is of Benny with his wife Lucille, and it also conveys something of his kind and giving nature.

Shortly after Resolution 2003-05 was passed, on October 1st 2003, Benny died at the fine old age of 81. He had lived in and served this community for virtually his entire adult life.

Benny was the consummate volunteer. From his young manhood he understood the age-old principle that there is more happiness in giving than in receiving. Applying this principle, he took the initiative to use a significant portion of his time and talents to enrich other's lives. Most of his volunteer service was "behind the scenes" in nature. That was fine with Benny. Helping others to enjoy themselves truly was its own reward, and this invigorated him on a daily basis.

**RESOLUTION 2003 – 05*****In Special Recognition of Gabino Benjamin "Benny" Aja***

***WHEREAS; Gabino "Benny" Aja, a lifelong resident of the Barre area, has generously given of his time and talents for more than five decades; and***

***WHEREAS; Benny Aja made his living as a radio and television repair and sales person, and since the late nineteen forties has provided sound systems for countless events, often using his own equipment and donating his time; and***

***WHEREAS; since it would be impossible to include all of his contributions, this Resolution mentions only the most significant, which include assisting the Barre Senior Center, the Aldrich Public Library, the Adult Basic Education Program, Barre City churches, and numerous local and national politicians with events; and***

***WHEREAS, as a Life Member of the American Legion, Post #10, each year starting at the end of World War II and continuing until recently, he has installed the public address equipment for the Memorial Day and Veterans' Day observances in City Hall Park; and***

***WHEREAS, as a Life Member of the Barre Elks, he could be counted on to provide his speakers for the lighting of the Memorial Tree and their many other events; long before the Opera House reached its present glory he installed speakers for the use of area artists; large events in the Park including the original Ethnic Festivals, the precursors of the current Homecoming Days, and the Vermont Bi-Centennial and Centennial celebrations were always audible because of his generosity; and he could be depended upon to install the sound equipment at the Spaulding High School Class Day and graduation ceremonies; and***

***WHEREAS, Benny usually could be found behind the scenes throughout the duration of an event, to assure that everything was running smoothly and that the performers would be heard at their very best.***

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**

***That the Barre City Council expresses its utmost gratitude to Gabino Benjamin Aja for his years of dedicated community service to Barre's residents and visitors, and***

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**

***That a copy of this Resolution is to be presented to Benny Aja and a copy will be placed on file in the permanent records of the City of Barre.***

**RESOLVED BY ORDER OF THE BARRE CITY COUNCIL  
THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2003**

## **CITY OF BARRE**

Regular meetings of the City Council are held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Barre. These meetings are open to the public.

The City Clerk and Treasurer's Office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### **Dates To Remember**

#### **Property Taxes Due (Installments)**

February 15, 2005

May 16, 2005

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August 15, 2005

November 15, 2005

February 15, 2006

May 15, 2006

#### **Water & Sewer Bills Due (Quarterly)**

\*March 31, 2005

\*June 30, 2005

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\*September 30, 2005

\*December 31, 2005

\*March 31, 2006

\*June 30, 2006

**\*Unless otherwise specified on bill**

### **Penalties And Interest For Delinquent Taxes And Bills**

A Collector's Fee of 8% is assessed against delinquent Property Taxes and Water & Sewer Bills immediately upon their delinquency.

A Finance Charge of 1% is assessed against delinquent Property Taxes and Water & Sewer Bills 30 days after their delinquency and the 1% fee is charged for each additional month that taxes and bills are delinquent.

**BARRE STATISTICS**

Organized as a city..... March, 5, 1895  
Population (2000 Census).....9,291

**Assessed Valuation 2003, as follows, viz:**

Real Property .....\$312,556,462.00  
Personal Property .....0  
Total .....\$312,556,462.00

**Assessed Valuation 2004, as follows, viz:**

Real Property .....\$316,629,186

**Bonded Debt**

Bonded Debt, June 30, 2000 ..... 11,292,785.00  
Bonded Debt, June 30, 2001 ..... 11,092,199.00  
Bonded Debt, June 30, 2002 ..... 12,192,284.00  
Bonded Debt, June 30, 2003 ..... 12,023,612.00  
Bonded Debt, June 30, 2004 ..... 11,632,922.00

**Statement of Taxes Raised**

**July 1, 2003- June 30, 2004**

Total Taxes to be Collected .....8,659,962.00  
Total Taxes Collected.....8,198,509.00

## CITY OF BARRE 2004-2005 TAX BILL CHART

Dear Barre City Homeowner: Following is an attempt to demonstrate how your tax dollars are used. The 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 years are provided for comparison purposes.

	2000-2001		2001-2002		2002-2003		2003-2004		2004-2005	
	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate	Taxes Raised	Tax Rate
CITY-GENERAL TAX	2,976,725.00	\$1.02	3,274,490.00	\$1.12	3,548,363.00	\$1.13	3,624,333.00	1.16	3,794,215.00	1.2086
Highway	609,102.00	\$0.21	598,184.00	\$0.21	635,249.00	\$0.20	620,885.00	.20	687,385.00	0.2189
Special Streets	200,000.00	\$0.07	200,000.00	\$0.07	200,000.00	\$0.07	200,000.00	\$0.07	200,000.00	0.0637
Capital Improvements	150,000.00	\$0.05	150,000.00	\$0.05	150,000.00	\$0.05	150,000.00	.02	75,000.00	0.0239
Sidewalk Improvements	65,000.00	\$0.02	65,000.00	\$0.02	65,000.00	\$0.02	65,000.00	\$0.02	65,000.00	0.0207
Municipal Maintenance Fund	30,000.00	\$0.01	30,000.00	\$0.01	0.00	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.0000
County Tax	38,823.00	\$0.01	38,510.00	\$0.01	35,927.00	\$0.01	32,919.00	.01	32,629.00	0.0104
Voter Approved Assistance	104,775.00	\$0.04	100,875.00	\$0.04	98,500.00	\$0.03	90,200.00	.03	98,200.00	0.0313
<b>MUNICIPAL TOTAL</b>	<b>4,174,425.00</b>	<b>\$1.43</b>	<b>4,457,059.00</b>	<b>\$1.53</b>	<b>4,733,039.00</b>	<b>\$1.51</b>	<b>4,708,337.00</b>	<b>1.51</b>	<b>4,952,429.00</b>	<b>1.5775</b>
BARRE CITY SCHOOLS K-12	3,026,540.00	\$1.05	3,052,588.00	\$1.05	3,156,604.00	\$1.00	3,157,000.00	1.00	4,240,518.00	1.1265
Local Share School Tax	826,911.00	\$0.29	898,285.00	\$0.31	931,419.00	\$0.29	786,503.00	.25	0.00	0.0000
Local Agreement Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,662.00	0.0160
<b>SCHOOL TAX TOTAL</b>	<b>3,853,451.00</b>	<b>\$1.34</b>	<b>3,950,873.00</b>	<b>\$1.36</b>	<b>4,088,023.00</b>	<b>\$1.29</b>	<b>3,943,503.00</b>	<b>1.25</b>	<b>4,291,180.00</b>	<b>1.1425</b>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY TAX</b>	<b>8,027,876.00</b>	<b>\$2.77</b>	<b>8,407,932.00</b>	<b>\$2.89</b>	<b>8,821,062.00</b>	<b>\$2.80</b>	<b>8,651,840.00</b>	<b>2.76</b>	<b>9,243,609.00</b>	<b>2.7200</b>

If you have any questions, please call our office at (802) 476-0242

Sincerely, Eugene G. Stratton, City Treasurer

**MAYORS OF BARRE**

Emery L. Smith .....	1895-1896
John W. Gordon .....	1896-1900
Harvey Hersey .....	1900-1901
Nelson D. Phelps .....	1901-1902
Charles W. Melcher .....	1902-1903
J. Henry Jackson .....	1903-1904
William Barclay .....	1904-1907
John Robins .....	1907-1910
James Mutch .....	1910-1912
Lucius H. Thurston .....	1912-1913
William H. Ward .....	1913-1915
Frank E. Langley .....	1915-1916
Robert Gordon .....	1916-1917
Eugene C. Glysson .....	1917-1920
Frank E. Langley .....	1920-1922
Waldron Shield .....	1922-1926
Frank L. Small .....	1926-1928
Nelson E. Lewis .....	1928-1929
Fred W. Suitor .....	1929-1931
Edwin Keast .....	1931-1932
William W. LaPoint .....	1932-1934
John A. Gordon .....	1934-1939
Edwin F. Heininger .....	1939-1944
Chauncey M. Willey .....	1944-1954
Reginald T. Abare .....	1954-1956
Cornelius O. Granai .....	1956-1958
George N. Estivill .....	1958-1964
Cornelius O. Granai .....	1964-1966
Garth W. Blow .....	1966-1968
Wilfred J. Fisher .....	1968-1978
Vergilio L. Bonacorsi .....	1978-1982
Robert S. Duncan .....	1982-1984
Robert A. Bergeron .....	1984-1990
Wilfred J. Fisher .....	1990-1992
Harry S. Monti .....	1992-1996
Paul A. Dupre.....	1996-2000
Harry S. Monti .....	2000-2004
Peter D. Anthony.....	2004-present



**JUSTICES OF THE PEACE**

Peter Anthony .....	25 Scampini Square
Patricia Baril .....	26 Third Street
Wayne Calderara .....	20 Waterman Street
Joan Carrigan .....	15 Garden Street
Harry Daniels .....	286 Prospect Street
Juliette DuBois .....	95 South Main Street
John Gilligan .....	122 Batchelder Street
Constance Johnson .....	18 Bridgeman Street
Larry Johnson .....	18 Bridgeman Street
Deborah Martin .....	188 Prospect Street
Donna Stratton .....	22 Leonard Street
Paul Tyler .....	14 Grandview Avenue
Anne Valliere .....	15 Delmont Avenue
Leo Valliere .....	15 Delmont Avenue
Larry Wade .....	4 Westwood Parkway

**CITY GOVERNMENT  
of the  
CITY OF BARRE  
ELECTED OFFICERS**

**— MAYOR —**

HONORABLE PETER D. ANTHONY  
Term Expires 2006

**— Councilors —**

Ward I

Carolyn S. Dawes ..... 2005  
Kevin F. Spaulding ..... 2006

Ward II

Kevin T. Moulton ..... 2005  
Paul T. DeCoste ..... 2006

Ward III

Randall E. Copping ..... 2005  
Harry L. Daniels ..... 2006

**— CLERK EX-OFFICIO AND TREASURER —**

Eugene G. Stratton  
Term Expires 2006

First Constable ..... Scott Gagnon  
Term expires 2006

**— CITY MANAGER —**

Appointed by the City Council  
RICHARD L. FITZGERALD

**Appointments By City Clerk & Treasurer Annually on April 1st**

Assistant City Clerk ..... Gloria J. Collins  
Assistant City Treasurer ..... Debbie L. Seaver

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS****April 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005****BARRE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Patricia D. Corrigan, Vice Chair ..... Term Expires 2004  
 Marie D. Kelley, Chair ..... Term Expires 2005  
 Lucy Hulbert ..... Term Expires 2006  
 Paul Hennessey ..... Term Expires 2007  
 Carol Tremblay ..... Term Expires 2008  
 Paul DeCoste, City Council Liaison  
 Mark Recko, Executive Director

(B.H.A. Terms Expire on November 24th)

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**CENTRAL VERMONT COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

VACANCY ..... Term Expires 2005

**CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS****April 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005**

City Attorney ..... Oliver Twombly, Esq.  
 Labor Attorney ..... J. Scott Cameron, Esq.  
 City Service Officer ..... Trevor S. Whipple  
 Emergency Management Director ..... Peter D. John  
 Energy Coordinator ..... Peter D. John  
 Library Trustee Council Liaison ..... Kevin T. Moulton  
 Health Officer ..... Marcy M. Kelly  
 Tax Collector (*until 7/11/2004*) ..... Sheila J. Lunt  
 Tax Collector (*effective 7/12/2004*) ..... Richard L. Fitzgerald  
 Administrative Officer for Zoning<sup>1</sup> ..... Richard T. Baker  
<sup>1</sup>*Three-Year Term Expires on 1/6/2006*

Board of Health ..... Charlene Jennett  
 Anita Ristau  
 VACANCY

**CITY MANAGER APPOINTMENTS**

April 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005

Director of Public Works .....	Reginald T. Abare
City Engineer .....	Reginald T. Abare
Tree Warden .....	Dwight A. Coffrin
Director of Cemetery & Parks .....	Dwight A. Coffrin
Plumbing Inspector .....	John R. Ford
Chief of Fire & EMS .....	Peter D. John
Contract Assessor .....	Caroline E. Lockyer
Director of Water & Sewer .....	Steven N. Micheli
Director of Facilities & Streets .....	Peter L. O'Grady
Director of Recreation & Promotions .....	Stephanie L. Quaranta
Director of Administrative Services .....	Elizabeth L. Somaini
Building & Housing Inspector .....	Robbie B. Strachan
Electrical Inspector .....	Robbie B. Strachan
Chief of Police .....	Trevor S. Whipple

**COMMITTEES****MAYOR IS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES****Appointed by the Barre City Council****April 1, 2004 – March 31, 2005****CEMETERY AND PARKS COMMISSION**

Herbert Jorgensen .....	Term Expires 2005
Vergilio Bonacorsi .....	Term Expires 2006
Richard Parnigoni .....	Term Expires 2007
Fred Lawrence .....	Term Expires 2008
Harry S. Monti .....	Term Expires 2009
Primary Staff – Dwight A. Coffrin, Director of Cemetery and Park Maintenance	

Meetings called as warranted.

### BOARD OF RECREATION

C. Martin Prevost, School Board Representative ....	Term Expires 2005
Jeff Bergeron .....	Term Expires 2005
Sandra Barton .....	Term Expires 2005
Beth Hemenway .....	Term Expires 2005
TWO VACANCIES .....	Terms Expire 2005
Harry L. Daniels, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Stephanie L. Quaranta, Director of Recreation and Promotions	

**Meets monthly in the Alumni Hall Conference Room;  
Board decides date and time.**

### PLANNING COMMISSION

Frank Demell, Vice Chair .....	Term Expires 2005
Robert VanArsdell .....	Term Expires 2005
Marc Recko .....	Term Expires 2006
VACANCY .....	Term Expires 2007
David Sichel .....	Term Expires 2007
Theresa Utton, Chair .....	Term Expires 2008
Matthew Rodeck .....	Term Expires 2008
Carol Dawes, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Richard T. Baker, Planning and Zoning Administrator	

**Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 p.m. in  
the City Council Chambers.**

### DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Ward I: Pete Fournier .....	Term Expires 2005
John Biondollilo, Chair .....	Term Expires 2008
Ward II: David Hough .....	Term Expires 2005
Richard Deep .....	Term Expires 2008
Ward III: Irene Alzaga .....	Term Expires 2005
Pat Maza .....	Term Expires 2008
At Large: VACANCY .....	Term Expires 2005
Deborah Martin, Vice Chair .....	Term Expires 2007
Betty Owen .....	Term Expires 2007

Randall E. Copping, City Council Liaison  
Primary Staff – Richard T. Baker, Planning and Zoning Administrator

**Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the  
Council Chambers.**

**CENTRAL VERMONT  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

Richard Baker, Planning & Zoning Administrator, City Designate  
Theresa Utton, Alternate

**Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the  
Comfort Inn in Berlin**

**CENTRAL VERMONT  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Robert Shambo, Representative..... Term Expires 2005  
Steven Micheli, Alternate..... Term Expires 2005

**Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., typically at Berlin  
Chamber of Commerce. No meetings held in January, July and August.**

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Arthur Bombardier ..... Term Expires 2005  
Leonard Normandeau ..... Term Expires 2005  
Alan Neveau ..... Term Expires 2005  
Real Maurice ..... Term Expires 2005  
Fred Ford, Chair ..... Term Expires 2005  
Randall E. Copping, City Council Liaison  
Primary Staff – Reginald T. Abare, City Engineer

**Meets as warranted in the City Council Chambers.**

### COMMITTEE - UNION CONTRACTS

Carol Dawes, Councilor  
 Kevin F. Spaulding, Councilor  
 Peter D. Anthony, Mayor  
 Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager

### PARKING LOT COMMITTEE

Peter L. O'Grady, Chair .....	Term Expires 2005
Chief Trevor S. Whipple .....	Term Expires 2005
Allan Heath .....	Term Expires 2005
Bob Sager .....	Term Expires 2005
Bob Nelson .....	Term Expires 2005
Thad Launderville .....	Term Expires 2005
Paul T. DeCoste, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Reginald T. Abare, City Engineer	

**Meetings held as warranted.**

### COMMUNITY STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Herbert Heath, Jr. ....	Term Expires 2005
Bernard Flanagan .....	Term Expires 2005
Don Babic .....	Term Expires 2005
Randy McKnight .....	Term Expires 2005
Harvey Carroll .....	Term Expires 2005
Nancy Carpenter .....	Term Expires 2005
Aline Nuissl .....	Term Expires 2005
Fran Pinard .....	Term Expires 2005
Lucille Aja .....	Term Expires 2005
Carol Dawes .....	Term Expires 2005
Paul T. DeCoste, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Robbie B. Strachan, Building & Housing Inspector	

**Meetings held as warranted.**

### **BARRE CIVIC CENTER STUDY COMMITTEE**

Arthur Dessureau .....	Term Expires 2005
John Delphia .....	Term Expires 2005
Larry Wade .....	Term Expires 2005
Richard Dente .....	Term Expires 2005
VACANCY .....	Term Expires 2005
Paul Heller .....	Term Expires 2005
Karl Fortman, Chair .....	Term Expires 2005
Merton Supernault .....	Term Expires 2005
Harry L. Daniels, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Peter L. O’Grady, Director of Streets & Facilities	

**Meets monthly in the Alumni Hall Conference Room;  
Board decides date and time.**

### **HOUSING BOARD OF REVIEW**

Betty Owen, Homeowner .....	Term Expires 2006
Juliette DuBois, Landlord .....	Term Expires 2006
Lise Maurice, Landlord .....	Term Expires 2006
VACANCY, Tenant .....	Term Expires 2006
VACANCY, Tenant .....	Term Expires 2006
Kevin T. Moulton, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – James F. Hadley, Board Clerk and City Representative	

**Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month as warranted, at 5:30 p.m.  
in the Council Chambers.**

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES AD HOC OR NEW COMMITTEES**

### **WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE**

John Biondolillo .....	Term Expires 2005
Tom Lauzon .....	Term Expires 2005
Steven MacKenzie .....	Term Expires 2005
Steven Micheli .....	Term Expires 2005
Pam White .....	Term Expires 2005
Kevin T. Moulton, City Council Liaison	
Primary Staff – Reginald T. Abare, City Engineer	

**Meetings held as warranted**



### **BARRE PARTNERSHIP - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Anita Ancel  
 Dina Bookmyer-Baker, Executive Director  
 Sheila Cleary, Secretary  
 Amy Cunningham  
 Carol Day  
 Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager  
 Al Flory, Past President  
 Dick Huskes  
 Tom Lauzon, Treasurer  
 Mary Jane Magnan, Vice President  
 John Mayfield  
 Julianne Monty  
 Sherry Rhynard  
 Bob Sager, President  
 Kevin F. Spaulding, City Council Liaison

**Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8:00 a.m. at the  
 Community National Bank.**

### **GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT AGENCY**

Peter D. Anthony, Representative ..... Term Expires 2005  
 Richard L. Fitzgerald, Alternate ..... Term Expires 2005

### **BARRE JUSTICE CENTER CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD**

Lindsay Brugger, Student Representative ..... Term Expires 2005  
 Schuyler Dutton, Student Representative ..... Term Expires 2005  
 Bobby Ryan ..... Term Expires 2005  
 Mike Carlisle ..... Term Expires 2006  
 Dee Rollins ..... Term Expires 2006  
 Paul Dupre ..... Term Expires 2006  
 Jeanne Daniele ..... Term Expires 2007  
 Ariana Monti ..... Term Expires 2007  
 Heather Waterbury ..... Term Expires 2007  
 Kevin F. Spaulding, City Council Liaison  
 Lori Baker, Executive Director  
 Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager

**Meetings held the 2nd Wednesday each month at 6:00 p.m. in the  
 Alumni Hall Conference Room.**

**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Reginald T. Abare, City Engineer ..... Term Expires 2005  
Chief Peter D. John ..... Term Expires 2005  
Harry Monti ..... Term Expires 2005  
Jim Woodworth, Chairman ..... Term Expires 2005  
Chief Trevor S. Whipple ..... Term Expires 2005  
Mayor Peter D. Anthony ..... Term Expires 2005  
Randall Copping, City Council Liaison  
Kevin F. Spaulding, City Council Liaison  
Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager

**CHARTER COMMITTEE**

Carol Dawes, City Council Liaison  
John J. Hannigan  
Jay Hawthorne  
Eugene G. Stratton, City Clerk  
Mayor Peter D. Anthony  
Primary Staff – Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager

**Meets as warranted in the City Council Chambers.**

**HOMECOMING 2005 COMMITTEE**

Lucille Aja  
Bob Bisson  
Dina Bookmyer-Baker  
Joan Carrigan  
Nancy Hanson  
Allan Heath  
Chief Peter D. John  
Emily Kaminski  
Linda Mercy  
Carol Pellon  
Bob Sager  
Chief Trevor S. Whipple  
Carol Dawes, City Council Liaison  
Kevin F. Spaulding, City Council Liaison  
Richard L. Fitzgerald, City Manager  
Marsha L. Flanagan, Staff  
Peter L. O'Grady, Staff  
Nicole Poulin, Staff

**CITY OF BARRE****VERMONT STATE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES****2005 – 2006 Legislative Session****Washington County District****Honorable Ann E. Cummings****State Senator**

24 Colonial Drive, Montpelier VT 05602

**Honorable William T. Doyle****State Senator**

Murray Road, Montpelier VT 05602

**Honorable Phil Scott****State Senator**

20 Fuller Street, Montpelier VT 05602

**Honorable Leo M. Valliere****State Representative**

15 Delmont Avenue, Barre VT 05641

District W 3-1

**Honorable Harry S. Monti****State Representative**

PO Box 1107, Barre VT 05641

District W 3-2

**Honorable Stephen Green****State Representative**

242 Rowell Hill Road, Berlin VT 05602

District W 3-3

## CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Department	Tel. No.
Accounting Department .....	476-0252
Administrative Services Department .....	476-0240
Assessment Department.....	476-0244
Auditorium.....	476-0256
BOR Building .....	476-0258
Building & Housing Department.....	476-0250
Cemeteries and Parks Department.....	476-6245
City Clerk & Treasurer's Office.....	476-0242
City Manager's Office (voice) .....	476-0240
City Manager's Office (fax).....	476-0264
Delinquent Tax Collector's Office .....	476-0246
Dix Reservoir/Water Filtration Plant .....	476-6885
Emergency Management .....	476-0255
Engineering Department .....	476-0250
Facilities Department .....	476-0520
Fire and Emergency Medical Services – <b>Emergency</b> .....	<b>911</b>
Fire and Emergency Medical Services – <b>Non-emergency</b> ....	476-0255
Health Officer.....	476-5545
Planning & Zoning Department.....	476-0245
Police Department – <b>Emergency</b> .....	<b>911</b>
Police Department – <b>Non-emergency</b> .....	476-6613
Recreation and Promotions Department .....	476-0257
Streets & Sewer Department.....	476-0260
Tax Collector's Office.....	476-0246
Wastewater Treatment Plant .....	476-0261
Water & Sewer Department (after-hours emergency dispatch)	476-6613
Water & Sewer Department (billing) .....	476-0251
Water Department .....	476-0266

## MAYOR'S REPORT



Dear Citizens of Barre,

Since taking office in March 2004, the City Council and I have worked very hard to bring our new Public Safety Building to the point of construction. To some of you this project is controversial. To others of you it is long overdue. Not since the completion of the Water Filtration plant has there been a more complex and expensive single undertaking. Certainly to all of us, this investment in Barre's future represents a budgeting challenge.

The City Councilors and I continue to grapple with City finances. As citizen advisors to the Council, many of you have contributed to the budgeting process. Each of you deserves our gratitude. The budget we are proposing for 2005-06 maintains current services, and absorbs the debt burden of the new Public Safety Building. We believe that the proposed budget is sound and deserving of your support.

Among the most satisfying and promising features of my work as Mayor is the ongoing search for beneficial partnerships with other organizations. Any alliance will be thoroughly explored that can bring a financial benefit to the City, or that can increase the prestige of our City. Potential partners include our shared school organization, our namesake neighbors in the Town, and the nearby communities of Berlin and Montpelier.

On a personal note — Were I not confident in and optimistic about Barre's future, my candidacy for Mayor last year would not have occurred.

Respectfully,

PETER D. ANTHONY  
Mayor

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT****July 2003- June 2004**

Another year has come and gone and the City continues to improve with the passage of time. It has been my privilege to be the City Manager and be a small part of all that is happening here in the City. This report will highlight some of the more significant events and decisions made during the past year. However, I want everyone to be aware that there are a great number of smaller events, decisions and projects that City employees were involved with that are helping make this City such a great place to live, work and play.

Last year we added several new employees and with that came a change in roles and responsibilities. I am very pleased with how each of them has worked with the rest of the City personnel. The new department directors have done an outstanding job of learning their new positions and providing leadership within their areas of expertise. The same should be said of all the department directors. Barre is very fortunate to have over 100 talented, dedicated professionals providing a wealth of services to our citizens.

The City has continued working to design and build our new public safety facility. We requested and received six "Requests for Qualifications" from Design/Build teams from which we selected four to compete in a "Request for Proposal". Our consultant, Harris & Harris, helped us review each of these RFPs and to rate them in terms of quality, size, and, of course, price. In the final analysis, the design/build team of E.F. Wall Inc./Black River Design was selected to go forward with the design and building of this important facility. This decision, as well as the design itself, has generated significant discussion within the community. The City Council has heard and reviewed all the different points of view and made a final decision. As I am writing this, construction of the facility has started; the foundation and steel have been erected. Completion of the facility is expected in late summer of 2005. This will be a building we can look at with pride for the next 50-75 years.

We completed construction of our Pierce Road one million gallon water tank. This tank is part of an upgrade to our distribution system to ensure we have sufficient water to fight a major fire, regardless of water usage or time of day. Along with the tank came new controls and the re-

quirement to add two major valves to our 20 inch main. To do this it was necessary to shut several valves, cut the line, install the new valves, and reopen the line valves. Since these valves hadn't been closed for over 15 years, there was a degree of risk involved. Our Water/Sewer Department personnel were up to the task, and what could have been a major issue went off without a hitch.

The Civic Center continues to draw a unique and varied list of users. The Vermont League of Cities & Towns has come back to the "Hill" for their annual Town Show. They have agreed to use the Civic Center for two years, then back to Rutland for a year, then back here for two. Additionally, the AUD was named one of the top ten best places (out of 3,500) in the United States in which to watch High School basketball. While this is something all of us knew here in Barre, now the rest of the country is aware! In addition to Civic Center rentals, we have secured our third Cellular Tower user for the Auditorium, leaving room for one additional user. We began and completed the last two items on the list of 13 Civic Center improvements that taxpayers supported with a \$650,000 bond. The granite stairs on the front of the Auditorium were removed, repaired or replaced, and reset. Along with the stairs, we set new granite curbing, paved handicapped parking and constructed several landscaping areas to enhance the front of the facility. We replaced the old Auditorium boiler with two more efficient ones, helping to reduce the cost of heating during our cold Vermont winters.

The sidewalk on Hill Street was completed by a team of Barre City and Barre Town Public Works employees; the results are outstanding. We used their expertise again on Washington Street. The State began to do the resurfacing, and our City crews are replacing almost 3,500 feet of our city's sidewalks. It is slated for completion in late summer/early fall. We also replaced a pumping station at the top of Washington Street. This station was a potential single point failure for our sewage collection system. It was replaced with a new line on which no pumps are necessary, removing the threat of a potential sewage spill into the creek. The Granite Street Bridge replacement is moving forward. The Council made the decision to press ahead with a superstructure bridge similar to the one currently in place. By doing that, the State was able to put the project out to bid. The bridge is expected to be completed in early March 2005.

We have continued to apply for and receive various Homeland Security and FEMA grants. Both the Police and Fire Departments received several grants totaling over \$500,000. We have purchased technical equipment from a Police grant that will be used in the new Public Safety

Building. We have purchased a utility vehicle to haul the HAZMAT trailer for the Fire Department. These grants have been written by our own personnel, often on their own time.

Mayor Anthony and the City Council have changed the format of the weekly City Council meetings. On the first and third Tuesdays, the Council holds normal, televised sessions as they have in the past. On the second and fourth Tuesday, the Council sessions are not televised or taped and the formal session of the meeting is kept short, mostly approving minutes, warrants, etc. The formal session is adjourned and a work session is held where the Councilors can roll up their sleeves and work on some of the major issues facing the city. Some of the early work sessions have included: Council Goals, Budgets, Charter Changes and Water & Sewer rates. This new format has been working very well and allows the Council to focus on specific subjects and have the type of in-depth discussions needed to solve some of the City's more pressing issues.

Finally, I would like to take this occasion to thank all the folks who have done so much to make my job easier and more pleasant. First the Mayor and City Council; these individuals have allowed me the latitude to accomplish the tasks that need to be done without micromanaging me. They have stepped in only when they thought it was necessary and where it would be the most productive and for that I owe them a great deal of thanks. Next in line would be the City staff. Barre is blessed to have such a fine group of professionals. I do not know of one individual who would not go the extra distance to help a citizen or to ensure that a job is done correctly. They are all professionals who take a great deal of pride in everything they do. And lastly, it is you, the citizens of Barre; you have offered me your help and your friendship. In the final analysis, it is the involvement of our citizens that makes Barre the vibrant city it is. Your hours of volunteering, your donations, and your creative ideas have made this city shine; thank you for all you do.

Most Respectfully,  
RICHARD L. FITZGERALD



## REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK AND TREASURER



The Barre City Clerk and Treasurer's Office consists of myself; Assistant City Clerk, Gloria Collins; Assistant City Treasurer, Debbie Seaver; Water Department Clerk, Clint Smith; City Water Meter Reader, Glenn Giallombardo; and Rachel Bizzozero, the Vital Records Clerk.

During the Fiscal Year from July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, there were many activities, including, but not limited to the following.

- Administering the March Town Meeting Day elections and budget votes;
- Issuing annual vendor, restaurant, rubbish removal, motor vehicle renewal registrations, Green Mountain Passports, burial permits, taxicab, dog and liquor licenses;
- Recording the land, Uniform Commercial Code filings, and vital records;
- Collecting property taxes quarterly;
- Billing and collecting water and sewer bills quarterly;
- Collecting motor vehicle parking violation fines and parking meter revenues;
- Issuing motor vehicle parking permits;
- Collecting municipal swimming pool fees, and
- Recording the minutes of City Council meetings and actions.

There were 100 marriage licenses and 3 civil union licenses issued during the fiscal year. The number of resident births in the City was 134, and there were 183 Barre residents who died. The office issued 581 dog licenses.

As a result of the March 2, 2004 Town Meeting Day Elections, I was re-elected Barre City Clerk and Treasurer. I thank the voters of the City of Barre for their continued support during my tenure in the City Clerk and Treasurer's Office.

Sincerely,

EUGENE G. STRATTON  
*City Clerk and Treasurer*

## REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

The following is a summary of my activities over the past year.

During the past year I have been actively involved in representing the City's interest in two Court proceedings concerning opposition to the development and construction of the Public Safety Building. The opposition focuses particularly on the plan to eliminate parking on Fourth Street. Following the City's successful application to the Development Review Board whereby the City obtained a zoning permit authorizing construction of the Public Safety Building on the North Barre Field, appeal of that Zoning Permit was taken by neighboring property owners Paul and Peggy Irons to the Vermont Environmental Court. The City asked for and received an expedited hearing given the importance of the project. A trial was held in mid July of 2004 and the Court promptly issued a decision several weeks following the trial denying the appeal. Mr. & Mrs. Irons took appeal of the Environmental Court decision to the Vermont Supreme Court. The matter has been fully briefed to the Vermont Supreme Court and, as of this writing, we are awaiting decision.

In addition to the zoning appeal, the Irons have brought an action in Washington Superior Court against the City regarding the elimination of parking on Fourth Street. The focal point of their argument rests upon their contention that they have acquired vested rights to parking on Fourth Street based upon their contention that a 1990 Zoning Board Decision gave them those rights. The issues have been fully briefed by both sides and, as of this writing, we are awaiting decision on pending motions for summary judgment.

During the course of the year I have rendered occasional advice to the City Clerk in various matters including preparation of items for the annual meeting warning, Board of Civil Authority appeals and related items.

I have rendered occasional advice to the City Zoning Administrator working through various zoning issues that confront that office from time to time. I have defended the Development Review Board's decisions when appeals have been taken to Vermont Environmental Court.

I have assisted the Police Department in collecting Municipal Fines imposed by the City against persons who have violated City Ordinances. These are prosecutions brought in municipal Court which are brought by way of contempt citations for failure to pay the fine. Typically these

prosecutions result in 100 % payment of the Municipal Ordinance violation Citations issued by the City Police Department.

I have acted as General Counsel to the City Manager by rendering advice and written opinions when called upon by the City Manager.

I take pleasure in expressing my appreciation to Mayor Anthony, the City Council, City Manager Richard Fitzgerald, and all department heads, and all other City personnel for their invaluable assistance and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
OLIVER TWOMBLY  
*City Attorney*

## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES



The Department of Administrative Services provides Human Resources functions for City employees; supports and assists the City Manager and department heads in HR and special projects; and serves as administrative supervisor to the Executive Assistant in the Manager's Office, the Contract Assessor and Clerk/Bookkeeper in the Assessment Department, the Senior General Accounting Clerk, the Payroll Clerk, and the Assistant Tax Collectors.

While all other City departments provide direct services to the public, the primary responsibility of the Department of Administrative Services is to support the staff of those other departments by performing duties related to accounting, personnel and benefits.

Accounting duties include the following:

- Processing accounts payable and receivable;
- Collecting delinquent taxes, water and sewer bills, and miscellaneous accounts receivable; and
- Maintaining financial records for the entire City, reconciling accounts, and preparing for the annual City audits.

Personnel duties include the following:

- Posting vacant positions for union employees;
- Advertising unfilled positions;
- Assisting with employee interviews;
- Checking references for potential new hires; and
- Conducting orientations for new employees, and exit interviews for departing employees.

Several employees transferred to different positions within the City during FY 2003-2004. Ten individuals were hired to fill vacant positions that became available as City employees retired or moved on to employment elsewhere.

Benefits management duties include the following:

- Processing the weekly employee payroll, maintaining payroll records, and submitting state and federal reports;
- Enrolling employees in the health, dental and life insurance coverage plans of their choice, and maintaining employees' coverage and claim records;

- Administering a self-funded reimbursement health plan; and
- Processing worker's compensation claims, retirement benefits, and annual and anniversary raises.

Compliance with Federal and State laws/regulations, City policies, and union contracts is also an important responsibility of this Department. Staying abreast of changes in employment laws is a challenge for every employer, including the City of Barre. Major changes have been made to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Because the City provides reimbursement for some out-of-pocket expenses to employees enrolled on the Blue Cross Blue Shield health plans, the City is considered a health care provider and was required as of April 14, 2004 to adopt and comply with the HIPAA Privacy Rules & Policies. With the help of attorneys at workshops sponsored by the Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT), these policies were written, adopted, and implemented as of that date. After reviewing the salaried employees' job descriptions it was determined that no changes were needed in the City's pay practices to comply with the new FLSA standards for exempt and non-exempt employees.

Each employee of the Administrative Services Department attended workshops, seminars, or college courses during the year. Two employees maintain memberships in professional associations related to their positions to make sure that they stay current with the regulations which affect their work for the City. Additional training is vital to good job performance, and the willingness of employees to make these extra efforts is appreciated. Along with attending several HR related workshops, the Director took a twelve-week course with a certification exam, and received the designation of Professional in Human Resources from the HR Certification Institute of the Society of Human Resource Management.

The rising cost of insurance is a major concern for everyone. In the fall of 2003, the City solicited bids for property, casualty and worker's compensation insurance coverages. The VLCT was the low bidder. A portion of the coverage went into effect with them on January 1, 2004, with the balance starting on July 1, 2004. VLCT offers wellness programs and risk management for municipalities that are enrolled in their health and PACIF plans. These include an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and semi-annual wellness clinics for City employees. Many employees regularly attend the wellness clinics. All City departments have been given risk management evaluations by a Loss Control Specialist. Taking steps to prevent accidents and promote the wellness of our employees is

one way to help control and to possibly reduce insurance costs. This is a major goal for the City of Barre, not only for the welfare of our employees but also for budgetary reasons.

I want to extend a special "Thank you" to all the employees of departments which fall under the heading of Administrative Services. They are Donna McNally and Sheila Lunt in the Accounting/Computer Department; Caroline Lockyer and Kathryn Bramman in the Assessment Department; and Robin Caron and Donna McNally in the Tax Collector's Office. Also, a warm "Welcome" to James Hadley, the new Executive Assistant in the City Manager's Office.

I am very privileged to work for the citizens of the City of Barre, and want to thank Mayor Peter Anthony and members of the City Council, City Manager Richard L. Fitzgerald, and all my co-workers for their support, assistance, and guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth L. Somaini  
Director of Administrative Services

## ASSESSMENT DEPARTMENT 2004



The Assessment Department assesses all real property in the City of Barre for tax purposes. The Assessor's office prepares and files the Grand List and maintains the individual assessment records for all recorded parcels in Barre City. The office also maintains maps indicating the location of properties in the City. Building permits, Zoning permits, Property Transfer Returns and field inspections are used to update the assessment records on a regular basis.

The changing real estate market in Vermont continues to be evident in Barre City. Property values have continued to increase this past year and sales remain strong. There is some new development, and many properties are being upgraded.

The new Act 68 affected all taxpayers this past year. It created a substantial difference in school tax rates for Homestead properties (owner occupied, residential) and non-residential properties (any property or portion not occupied as a primary residence). I would like to take this opportunity to remind all residential property owners that you are required by Act 68 to file a HS-131 "Declaration of Vermont Homestead" form with the State of Vermont by April 15, 2004. This document determines the tax rate applied to property in Vermont that began with the 2004 Grand List. At this time, the HS-131 form must be filed on an annual basis.

The following breakdown of the 2004 Municipal Grand List includes all Grievance changes and Appeal changes made by the Board of Civil Authority and State Appraiser for this year.

### Real Estate

Residential .....	\$170,004,046
Multi-Family Residential .....	60,617,805
Commercial .....	61,420,546
Industrial .....	16,268,900
Utilities .....	4,566,319
Farms .....	167,105
Miscellaneous .....	3,584,420

Total Taxable Listed Value of Real Estate ..... \$316,629,186

Grand List at 1% of Value ..... \$3,166,291.86

The above Grand List value is for the *Municipal* Grand List. According to Act 60 and Act 68, the *Education* Grand List is calculated by adding Personal Property Cable and non-approved contracts, stabilization agreements and exemptions, as well as voted exemptions. Thus, the total taxable 2004 Education Grand List value is \$320,695,776. There are eleven Voted and Contract/Stabilization agreements. The total value of these properties is \$5,064,430 of which \$2,277,847 is exempted.

New this year is the "Special Exemption" for Qualified Housing, i.e., affordable housing complexes. This is statutory and is certified by the State of Vermont. It allows a percentage reduction in taxable assessment for properties that qualify. There is a total of \$407,483 value exempted from five properties for 2004.

There is a total of 24 Veteran's Exemptions, amounting to \$240,000 in assessed value. There is one Current Use Exemption.

#### Value Percentages for Real Property of Total Grand List:

Residential .....	53.6%
Multi-family Residential.....	19.1%
Commercial.....	19.3%
Industrial .....	5.3%
Utilities .....	1.5%
Farms .....	0.1%
Vacant Land .....	1.1%
 Total .....	 100.00%

The Grand List is showing an increase in residential properties, especially as available land in the City diminishes. Values have shown a consistent rise in residential properties over the last three years.

The 2004 Grand List is comprised of 3,020 parcels of taxable real estate, a decrease of 1.4% from last year. This decrease is primarily due to the merging of several parcels as required by Act 68 for billing purposes only. These parcels have not generally been eliminated, merely included in a tax bill with abutting property. Properties are listed in the following categories.



Type of Property	Number of Parcels
Agricultural.....	2
Utilities .....	2
Industrial.....	69
Commercial.....	249
Commercial Apartments (9+ units) .....	26
Residential (single family & residential condos).....	1,869
Multi-family Residential (2-8 unit family buildings) .....	579
Miscellaneous (mostly vacant land) .....	224
Total .....	3,020

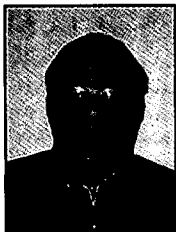
In addition to the taxable Grand List, the City of Barre has many statutorily tax exempt properties, as well as properties voted tax exempt and properties under tax agreements. The 140 non-taxable properties include churches, municipal and statutorily exempt properties with a total value of approximately \$103,275,000. There are also eight State owned properties with a total value of approximately \$7,500,000.

Subsequent to the completion of the 2002 reappraisal for the City of Barre, the Assessor's office hours changed. The Assessment Clerk, Kathryn Bramman, is in the office five days a week, and the Assessor is now part-time. The Assessor is available every Wednesday in the office to answer questions and meet with taxpayers.

If anyone has any questions concerning the valuation of real property in the City of Barre, please feel free to contact the Assessor's office. The Assessor's office is located in City Hall. Office hours are Monday through Friday, from 7:30 A.M. until 12 Noon, and from 1:00 P.M. until 4:30 P.M. Our phone number is 476-0244.

Caroline E. Lockyer  
Assessor

## BUILDING AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT



This has been a busy year for the Building and Housing Department. It was the first year of our Minimum Housing Program, and inspections of rental units were begun. There were approximately 1,700 rental units in the City of Barre as of November 2004. As of that time we had inspected 200 of them. The Department has a new part-time Housing Inspector, John Hannigan, and he is working closely with the landlords of the City to insure compliance with our new Minimum Housing Ordinance. It is our goal to provide safe, healthful rental units in the City of Barre. With the help of both landlords and tenants, I believe this can be achieved.

The Building and Housing Department has also been involved with two other new City ordinances. One pertains to the storage of junk cars, and the other pertains to solid waste. I believe both ordinances provide a reasonable standard for citizens to live by, and will help to promote safe, healthful properties.

Bonnie Breault is the Department's Clerk/Bookkeeper. She has helped all building inspectors by making many of the Department's forms and letters available in electronic form. Bonnie also tracks building permits and information about rental units in our new database. Bonnie is a very important part of the Building and Housing Department.

John Ford is the City's Plumbing Inspector. He is very knowledgeable in the plumbing field with his many years experience. He is a great asset to the City.

The Building and Housing Department also handles enforcement of the City's building code. The building code addresses quality of life issues. We had many complaints in this area during the past fiscal year, but I am pleased to report that everyone involved has been very helpful in working toward acceptable resolutions.

Following are a few figures that help to describe our activity during the past year.

Fiscal year 2003-2004 Permits

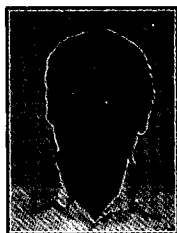
Building permits .....	120
Electrical permits .....	196
Plumbing permits.....	47

Total construction cost.....\$4,457,202

Along with the rest of the Building and Housing Department staff, I look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Strachan  
Director of Building and Housing Department

**BOARD OF CEMETERY AND PARK COMMISSIONERS**

During this fiscal year, we conducted 121 services. Included in these services were 95 interments and 26 bodies stored for the winter months in the vault located at Elmwood Cemetery. During the winter months, from November 15 to April 30, we conducted 28 interment services. Our cremation interment services were again on the increase with a total of 40-41% of our total interment services. This represents a 5% increase over the previous fiscal year and a 15% increase over the last five years.

**CEMETERY MAINTENANCE**

**Hope Cemetery** – We repaired seven water line breaks this year. One break was not detected until the City Water Department informed us that they had an indication we might have a large leak. The leak was located and repaired, but the Water Department charged us an additional \$4,000.00 in water usage as a result of this leak.

According to our standard procedure, we aerated all of the lawns two times during the fiscal year. We aerate in the fall and the following spring. This process promotes better absorption of water and fertilizer into the ground. It also helps to stimulate growth in the root system of the lawn grasses. The end result is the lush green lawns that you see all summer long. Insects and snow mold damaged certain parts of the lawns but they were repaired early in the spring and were green for Memorial Day. There were several family-owned shrubs that were damaged by the harsh winter and these were removed and the lawn reseeded around the family monument. When there are shrubs located on family burial plots that have become unsightly or have died, Cemetery staff will remove them upon written request from the lot owners. If there are no known family members, the shrubs will be removed on a case-by-case basis.

Mr. Bernard Scott cleaned more than 150 upright monuments and hundreds of raised and grass-level markers as part of our section-by-section monument cleaning program. This work was made possible by another generous donation from the Rock of Ages Corporation, which they make yearly. We will continue with the cleaning program as long as funds can be made available to do so. We have been researching the idea of install-

ing a cremation columbarium in the new section. The Commissioners feel that cremation interments will continue to increase versus in-ground interments, and that this sort of burial alternative should be offered. Presently we are researching designs and costs for this columbarium. It is our hope that we can erect one that will suit our cremation interment needs well into the future.

**Elmwood Cemetery** – General grounds maintenance continued at Elmwood. Mr. Winton Walbridge cleaned and repaired hundreds of granite and marble tablets as the need arose. Funds for this project also came from the Rock of Ages donation. For the second year in a row the tent caterpillar infestation was simply devastating to our mature sugar maple trees located in the front lawns of the cemetery. We attempted to control them by mechanical means and were successful when we found caterpillars on the smaller trees. The mature maples had about 75% of their canopy leaves eaten away. If we are not able to get this problem under control for the spring and summer of 2005 we could be looking at the loss of many of these trees. The Vermont Department of Agriculture has suggested that this problem is widespread but that there are not a lot of measures that can be taken to control the infestation. I will be looking into different options, as I do not want to lose any of those mature trees. We are going to continue with the maple tree planting program along the Hill Street side of Elmwood. I anticipate the planting of up to thirty new trees.

**St. Monica's Cemetery** – The St. Monica's Cemetery grounds were well mowed and trimmed this past summer. I keep one man working there for up to thirty hours per week just to keep it mowed, trimmed and raked. We installed a new water system and entire new roadway in the spring. This new roadway will stay as-is because we wanted to give it a country cemetery setting, gravel roads appearance. Response has been very favorable. This project was completed at a cost of \$52,000.00. There were four family monument foundations excavated, a new foundation installed, and the monument reset on the lot. The individual family lot owners paid for these projects.

**Parks Maintenance** – Your city parks were mowed and trimmed once per week from May to mid-September. City Hall Park, Currier Park, Dente Park, Elmwood Park, and the Welcome Sign Park were aerated and fertilized. New spring bulbs were planted in City Hall Park and the Welcome Sign beds. All shrubs were trimmed as needed, trees were removed

from Currier Park, and new maples were planted. City Hall Park had its annual clean-up and makeover for the Homecoming weekend. We are in the early planning stages for restoration of the gazebo and the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial located in City Hall Park.

**Tree Warden** – The duties of City Tree Warden shall include the authority to supervise and enforce the provisions of the specifications and standards adopted by the Board or Commission.

The Tree Warden shall have the authority and jurisdiction of regulating the planting, maintenance, and removal of trees on streets and other public property to ensure safety, preservation, and aesthetics of such public sites.

The Tree Warden shall have the authority to supervise and inspect all work done under a permit issued in accordance with the terms of this ordinance. Permits shall be required for the planting, maintenance, removal, and replacement of trees on the City's streets and public places.

Also all duties to include Chapter 20 – Tree Ordinance of the City of Barre Ordinances, Articles I – III, Section 20-1 through Section 20-18.

To conclude, the members of the Board of Cemetery and Park Commissioners and I would like to thank all Barre City department directors who have assisted the Cemetery crews with the use of equipment and personnel when we have been in need. There are several local artisans who have assisted with washing, setting and repair of monuments this past year. These generous helpers include: Mr. Bernie Scott, Mr. Francis Tash, Mr. Henri Dessureau, Mr. Winton Walbridge and Mr. Dennis Beaudin. I wish to thank the City Manager and the City Council for their continued support. The Board members and the dedicated Cemetery staff will continue to upgrade, expand, and enhance the beauty of our city Cemeteries and Parks.

If the citizens of this community have any questions concerning the maintenance of the Cemeteries and Parks, please call Director Dwight Coffrin at 476-6245 and he will be happy to assist you as need be.

**STATISTICAL INFORMATION FOR BARRE CITY CEMETERIES**

Lot Sales (1974-2004).....	1161
Lots sold per year (average).....	39
Lots sold fiscal year (2003-2004) .....	30
Price per lot sold (average)(1974-2004) .....	\$736
Yearly income from lot sales .....	\$28,506
Total income from lot sales (1974-2004).....	\$855,186

**LOT SALES 2003-2004**

1 Grave.....	6
2 Grave.....	17
3 Grave.....	3
4 Grave.....	2
5 Grave & Larger .....	2

**SIZES AND NUMBER OF LOTS SOLD 1974-2004**

1 grave.....	217
2 grave.....	563
3 grave.....	62
4 grave.....	177
5 grave & larger .....	<u>142</u>
TOTAL	1,161

**LOT PURCHASES (1985-2004) RESIDENT/NON-RESIDENT**

Barre City Residents .....	409
Non-residents .....	<u>262</u>
TOTAL	671

**AT-NEED/PRE-NEED LOT PURCHASES (1985-2004)**

At-Need.....	385
Pre-Need .....	<u>286</u>
TOTAL	671

**INTERMENTS BY CEMETERY (2002-2004)**

Hope.....	80
Elmwood.....	2
St. Monica's .....	<u>13</u>
TOTAL	95
Elmwood vault entombments .....	26

Sincerely,

Dwight Coffrin, Director of Cemetery and Parks Maintenance  
 Vergilio Bonacorsi, Chair, Herbert Jorgensen, Fred Lawrence, Harry  
 Monti, Richard Parnigoni, Board of Cemetery and Park Commissioners

## FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

The Facilities Department is responsible for overseeing all buildings and grounds owned by the City of Barre. Over the past year improvements have been made to several areas, including outdoor facilities.

Ongoing improvements are being made to the Farwell Street softball area. A chain-link fence costing \$12,873 was installed around the perimeter of the field. Work was also done to improve the drainage and playing surface of the infield. The Women's Softball league began using the field for their practices and games in late spring of 2004. A special "Thank you" goes to the Women's Softball league for their generous contribution of two dugouts, a backstop and various other improvements which have made this a premiere area.

The soccer groups who used the Farwell Street soccer field benefited from the addition of bleachers and maintenance done to the field. A special "Thank you" goes to all the soccer groups who have committed their time and funds to this field. Eventually we hope to see tournaments and special events held at this field.

Another phase of the Civic Center project was completed. New granite steps with stainless steel handrails were installed at the main entrance to the Auditorium. Two new boilers were also installed, and completion is expected to be in the fall of 2004. Baby changing stations were added to the Auditorium restrooms for the convenience of people using the facility.

Cosmetic work was completed to the interior of the B.O.R. building. A final coat of asphalt was also applied around the B.O.R. This improvement created 17 additional parking spaces for the facility.

A second cell tower company has completed installations in the Auditorium. Negotiations with a third company are expected soon.

The Facilities Department provided set-up and tear-down service for many of the popular shows at the Civic Center complex. These shows included the Farm Show, Gun Show, Capital Candy Show, Vermont Principals Association, Basketball Tournaments, Kiwanis Auction, F.W. Webb Show, VLCT Town Fair and more. Alumni Hall experienced an increase in use with the addition of Justice Center meetings and seminars from groups desiring handicap-accessible space with ample parking.

I would like to thank the Facilities and Street Department personnel and other City department heads for their role in supporting our facilities.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter L. O'Grady  
Director of Streets & Facilities



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**FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2003-2004**

Over the last year, the Barre City Fire Department received several grants that have allowed the Department to purchase equipment at little or no cost to the taxpayers of the City of Barre. The Fire Department continues to expand the services it offers to the citizens and visitors to our City, and we appreciate everyone's continued support.

**SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY**

This year we saw an increase in fire calls and ambulance calls. Fire calls were up 227 responses, a 43.3 % increase. Ambulance calls were up 88 responses, a 5.23% increase.

We believe the increase in fire calls is due in part to the public's demand for a wide range of services, and to the introduction of a better incident record keeping system. The increase in ambulance calls appears to continue the trend of what has been a yearly increase since fiscal year 1989-1990.

**TRAINING AND EDUCATION**

Barre City Fire Department personnel are continually being trained in order to keep pace with the ever-changing areas of firefighting and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). This training allows them to provide the best service to you, our customers, as safely as they can.

During the past year, all full-time firefighters and several callmen obtained training and certifications in several areas of the Emergency Medical Services and firefighting fields. Following is a partial list of the courses they took: Rapid Intervention Training, Risk Management, Hazardous Materials Operations, Firefighter Safety and Survival, FEMA Emergency Management Institute's Professional Development Series, and Confined Spaces Operations, as well as daily in-house training.

In the Emergency Medical Services category, many of our full-time firefighters and some of the callmen maintained their EMS certifications. Firefighter Robert Brown successfully completed his Paramedic training, and Firefighter Jeff Cochran has almost completed his.

Altogether, these efforts represent many hours of training that the members of this Department have obtained at little or no cost to the taxpayers of the City. I am very fortunate to have such a skilled and

dedicated group of individuals working with me, and feel that they are the best firefighting and Emergency Medical Services team in the State of Vermont.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

This year has been another busy year in regards to Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The Barre City Fire Department has been working closely with other City departments, neighboring towns, and various State and federal agencies to keep the City of Barre a safe place in which to live and work.

The Fire Department has equipped and placed the hazardous materials decontamination equipment trailer into service. All full-time personnel and most of the part-time personnel have been kept up to date with emergency management and homeland security issues through on-going training.

Fire Department personnel have been working hard during the year updating the City's Emergency Operations Plan, conducting risk analyses, and doing pre-plans of public and private facilities.

The Fire Department responded to 65 hazardous material calls during the year. These calls included anything and everything, from antifreeze spilled during a motor vehicle accident to a diesel fuel spill on approximately a half-mile of North Main Street. One was a mutual aid call for assistance in Northfield for a tanker truck that had overturned and was spilling oil into the river.

## **GRANTS RECEIVED**

Following is a list of grants received by the Fire Department this fiscal year, showing the source and amount of each grant, and what it is for.

FEMA (assorted firefighting equipment, SCBAs, ..... portable radios, and turnout gear)	\$159,223.14
Homeland Security Unit Planning & Exercise .....	16,387.00
Homeland Security Unit Grant (battery-operated ..... power tools, Holmatro rescue tools, air bags, 2004 Ford F350 pickup truck, and rescue chains)	107,137.00
Vermont Department of Health Healthy Homes Grant .....	6,000.00
State of Vermont Fire Prevention Grant .....	<u>400.00</u>

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS RECEIVED.....\$289,147.14**

## CLASSIFICATION OF RESPONSES

<b>ILLNESS:</b>	Respiratory Disorders .....	221
	Chest Pain/Cardiac Problem .....	156
	Abdominal Pain .....	85
	Seizure Activity.....	63
	Dizziness/Unconscious/Stroke.....	99
	Chronic Illness/Diabetic.....	59
	Drug/Alcohol Related .....	62
	Medical Cardiac Arrest .....	12
	Miscellaneous Illness .....	205
	Transfers.....	432
<b>INJURIES:</b>	Orthopedic Injures .....	229
	Laceration/Abrasion.....	28
	Head Injury .....	25
	Multi-system Trauma .....	22
	Traumatic Cardiac Arrest .....	1
	Miscellaneous Injuries .....	16
<b>TOTAL RESPONSES:</b>	.....	1,769
	Simultaneous Runs .....	189
	Automobile Accident Responses .....	125
	Automatic Defibrillator Used.....	1
	Paramedic Calls .....	41

## CLASSIFICATION OF ALARMS

Structure Fires.....	10
Fires Inside Structures.....	19
Motor Vehicle Fires.....	14
Chimney Fires.....	3
Grass/Brush Fires.....	25
Alarm Investigations .....	127
Malicious False Alarms.....	13
Hazardous Materials .....	65
Furnace Problems.....	7
Public Assist.....	204
Motor Vehicle Accident Responses .....	60
Miscellaneous .....	46
Mutual Aid Responses .....	16
Burn Permit Inspections.....	142

## SUMMARY

From the members of the Barre City Fire Department and myself, please accept our sincerest appreciation for your continued support of the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. It is a responsibility that my entire staff and I take very seriously, and we are proud to work for you.

I would also like to extend my thanks to all of the other City departments, Mayor Anthony, former Mayor Monti, City Manager Fitzgerald, and the members of the City Council for your continued support of the Fire Department.

I would also like to thank the dedicated members of what I consider to be the best Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services Department in the State of Vermont. You, the officers, firefighters, and EMTs, have my deepest respect and a sincere "Thank you" for everything you do for the City and its citizens. I know you don't always get recognized for your contributions, but they are seen on a daily basis. I would also be remiss if I did not thank the wives and families of our firefighters for their dedication and the tremendous sacrifices they make each day to let their husbands protect us.

As always, should you have any questions or concerns that this department or I can assist you with, please do not hesitate to call or stop by the fire station.

Sincerely yours,

Peter D. John  
Chief of Fire and EMS Department

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Peter D. John.....	Chief of Fire Department-EMT-I
William John.....	1st Deputy Chief-EMT
James Black.....	2nd Deputy Chief-EMT
Harvey Carroll.....	Captain-EMT
Willda Bresett, Jr.....	Captain-EMT-I
Larry Eastman, Sr.....	Lieutenant-EMT-I
David Gladding.....	Firefighter-EMT-I
Joseph Kelly.....	Firefighter-EMT-I
Robert Howarth.....	Firefighter-EMT-I

Robert Brown..... Firefighter-Paramedic  
 Gary Sheridan ..... Firefighter-EMT-I  
 Russell Ashe..... Firefighter-EMT-I-03  
 Keith Cushman ..... Firefighter-EMT-I-03  
 Russell Wood ..... Firefighter-EMT-I  
 Jeff Cochran..... Firefighter-EMT-I  
 Nicole Poulin ..... Ambulance Billing Clerk

### CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT

Larry Brown (Chaplain) ..... Captain-EMT-I  
 John Hannigan ..... Captain-EMT  
 Matt Aubut ..... Firefighter-EMT  
 Stan Baranowski ..... Firefighter-State Fire Marshall  
 George "Pat" Chamberlain ..... Firefighter-EMT  
 Douglas Crowningshield ..... Firefighter  
 Sheridan Crowningshield ..... Firefighter  
 Douglas Gloor..... Firefighter-EMT  
 Chris Herrick ..... Firefighter- VT State Haz-Mat Chief  
 William Haynes ..... Firefighter-EMT  
 Alan James..... Firefighter  
 Gerald Maranville..... Firefighter  
 John McGrath ..... Firefighter  
 Neil Pecor ..... Firefighter  
 Rob Strachan..... Firefighter- City Building Inspector  
 Michael Perrigo ..... Firefighter  
 Jason Johns ..... Firefighter-Paramedic

## HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT 2004

It has been a busy year in the Health Officer's position. The types of calls handled by this office included but were not limited to: animal bites, trash complaints, health-related rental housing code violations, screening and redirecting of calls relating to West Nile virus, as well as routine inspections of all eating establishments, bars and pools.

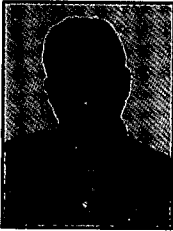
There is an increase in the number of stray and feral cats. Feral cats are domestic cats that have been allowed to go wild. As it is difficult to tell what is a stray cat and what is a feral cat, it is best not to approach or attempt to handle any of these animals. It is also best not to put food out for these cats, as the food not only attracts them but all other forms of wild life. These animals can and sometimes do carry rabies.

This year we had a confirmed case of rabies in a skunk. The skunk subsequently bit a dog that had to be quarantined. Rabies is a serious disease that is fatal to both animals and humans if it goes untreated. Pet owners need to vaccinate their pets against this disease, both pets that are allowed to go outside and those that are kept indoors as well. Vaccinating against rabies is how the disease is kept from spreading.

Overall, the public health of the city is good. I hope that the upcoming year will be safe and healthy for the citizens of Barre, and I look forward to serving you.

Marcy Kelly  
Barre City Health Officer

## PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT



The Planning & Zoning Administrator is responsible for the administration and enforcement of City land-use regulations, and for ongoing land use planning efforts. A half-time clerk assists with Department operations. The Department reviews all development proposals and assists the public in understanding City ordinances and helping them through the permit process. The Administrator is also responsible for taking action on all known zoning violations.

Serving as the administrative and technical support staff for the Planning Commission and Development Review Board, the Department is involved in organizing hearings, drafting zoning amendments, representing the City at Act 250 hearings and developing long-range plans. The office works closely with the City Attorney in preparing cases and defending the City of Barre's Zoning Regulations in the Vermont Environmental and Supreme Courts.

The Planning and Zoning Department has been involved in several ongoing planning projects this year, including the following:

- Completing the adoption of a major revision to the City's Zoning Regulations, which was subsequently adopted by City Council in August 2004.
- Completing development of a database to track zoning permits and to make assessment records available throughout City Hall.
- Acquiring desktop Geographic Information System (GIS) software that makes GIS mapping and assessment data available throughout City Hall. This project was funded through a Municipal Planning grant.
- Securing a \$15,000 Municipal Planning grant to help fund the cost to update the Municipal Plan. This project is currently underway.
- Securing a \$38,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to fund a downtown marketing study. This study is also currently underway.
- Continuing efforts to secure grants and outside funding for downtown and City-wide planning efforts and improvements.
- Coordinating downtown planning efforts with the Barre Partnership.

This year the Department issued 185 Zoning permits, with fees collected totaling \$4,977. The Development Review Board held 12 hearings to consider 53 permit applications, with hearing fees totaling \$2,100. All funds collected were returned to the General Fund to offset the costs of administering the program.

Permits are required for all land developments. We encourage you to come in during the planning stage of a project so we can discuss your needs and assist you through the permit process. Copies of the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations, Municipal Plan and GIS maps are available at a nominal charge.

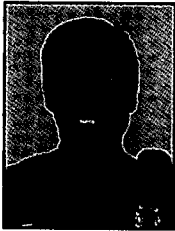
Respectfully Submitted,

RICHARD BAKER

*Planning and Zoning Administrator*



**BARRE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL REPORT, JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2004**



The Barre City Police Department continues to be busy and well-staffed. Due to continued support from the community, we have been able to meet growing demands and to continue our focus on community policing.

In January we began a second School Resource Officer (SRO) program, this time placing an officer at Spaulding High School. Through this collaboration, the Police Department and school system are able to address the needs of children before problems spill out into the streets. The SRO in the high school is able to serve as a role model, mentor and, if needed, law enforcement officer. The Department has seen a marked reduction in calls for service at Spaulding High School since the program began.

The Department was pleased to see a reduction in reported crime in the City of Barre during 2003. There was a reduction of crime. Part I offenses decreased by 23%. Part II crime decreased by 20%. Part I crimes are the more serious offenses: homicide, robbery, assault, burglary, etc. Part II crimes are the minor offenses: DWI, larceny, shoplifting, disorderly conduct, etc. Officers have been vigilant in the detection of crime and arrest of those responsible. We have also had excellent support from citizens who realize that they are our eyes and ears. It requires a community effort to reduce crime. We, the Barre City Police Department, thank the citizens for their assistance.

The year 2004 brought some changes to staffing at the Police Department. Juvenile Officer Sam Hill was appointed by Governor Douglas to be the Sheriff of Washington County. We wish Sheriff Hill the best in his new position. School Resource Officer James Pontbriand was called to active military duty, and will be on orders overseas for at least 18 months. Officer Dennis Menard was chosen to be the new Juvenile Officer, and a temporary replacement will be hired to fill in while Officer Pontbriand is on active duty.

During the past year the Department has written several successful grant requests. Through the assistance of Senator Jeffords, we were awarded a \$346,317 technology grant. This will enable us to properly equip the new Public Safety Building with a state of the art communications center,

security system, video monitoring system, employee identification system and evidence tracking system. We also received a \$219,702 Homeland Security Grant, which will assist with funding for the communications center and security enhancements. In total, the Police Department brought \$592,674 in equipment related grant funds into the City of Barre.

It is with great anticipation that the men and women of the Barre City Police Department await the completion of the Public Safety Building. We look forward to having a safe and efficient work site. We thank Mayor Peter Anthony, the City Council, City Manager Richard Fitzgerald and the citizens of the City of Barre for their support in seeing this vision become a reality.

In closing, I remind citizens and visitors to the City of Barre that the Police Department is here to serve them. You should feel free to call at any time of day if you have a matter that requires police attention. You are also welcome to call me personally if you have a question, suggestion, concern or any other matter you would like to bring to my attention. I can be reached at (802) 476-6613 or [chief@barrecity.org](mailto:chief@barrecity.org)

The Police Department looks forward to another year of proactive policing. I also want to express my appreciation to my entire staff who work nights, weekends, and holidays to protect and serve the citizens and visitors to the City of Barre.

Respectfully submitted,

TREVOR S. WHIPPLE  
*Chief of Police*

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ANNUAL REPORT FOR FY 2003-2004



The Department of Public Works is responsible for the integrating and coordinating of the functions of the following sub-departments.

### STREETS

This year was the 20th year of our Street Reconstruction program. The continuous dedication of the voters to support this program has rewarded them with a tremendously improved highway system. Although we have a ways to go, it is obvious that the Taxpayer's investment to date has enabled the City Administration to greatly improve on this portion of the infrastructure.

Due to the rising costs each year of providing full services to the community, the highway reconstruction program is falling victim to cut-backs, and the amount of money being appropriated for highway reconstruction is on the decline. As we forge ahead to make future improvements to the highway system, Taxpayers will experience delays in the progress they have been accustomed to see. \$200,000 was appropriated this Fiscal Year for the Special Paving Program, with only \$50,000 in the asphalt account, which is down from the previous year by \$45,000.

As we continue to make these much needed highway improvements, we continue to replace or to upgrade our utilities (water lines, domestic sewer lines, and storm sewer lines). Both the water and domestic sewer lines are maintained from enterprise funds and not tax dollars.

With the upcoming construction of the Public Safety Building, we limited our street reconstruction work as it was decided to utilize the services of our Public Works employees to assist in site development to control costs.

Following is a list of Street projects which were completed in FY 2003-2004:

STREET	COST
Elliot Street .....	\$ 10,499.89
Hill Street (Charles Street – C/T Line) .....	106,517.53
Bromur Street .....	14,867.92
Spaulding Street (Perry Street – Top of Hill) .....	22,352.93
River Street (Topcoat only) .....	33,213.84
Merchants Row (Parking lot addition) .....	35,044.77

BOR (Topcoat around building) .....	9,390.65
Franklin Street (repair section at Wellington Street) .....	3,265.80
Warren Street (Maple Avenue to Plain Street) .....	<u>9,940.63</u>
TOTAL COST: .....	\$245,093.96

### SIDEWALKS

Once again we were fortunate to receive voter approval on a \$65,000 ballot item for sidewalk improvements.

Following is a list of the sidewalk projects that were completed in FY 2003-2004:

SIDEWALK LOCATION	COST
Hill Street (Lincoln House to Windywood Road) <sup>1</sup> .....	\$124,978.21
Merchant Street (along West Side; Wellington to Warren) ...	10,222.36
Plain Street (end of street near Warren) .....	3,563.95
Warren Street (Maple Avenue to Plain Street) .....	5,784.03
Long Street (Warren Street to approximately 373 feet) .....	22,534.33
Ayers Street (fronting Allan Jones & Sons) .....	1,397.18
Auditorium Hill (in front of Auditorium) .....	28,822.01
Washington Street (Academy Street to Trow Avenue) <sup>2</sup> .....	<u>143,389.77</u>
TOTAL COST: .....	\$340,691.84

<sup>1</sup> The Hill Street sidewalk project was developed through the joint efforts of both the City of Barre and Town of Barre. The funding sources were the City of Barre, Town of Barre and State of Vermont Agency of Transportation Enhancement Grant. In-kind services were provided by both communities.

<sup>2</sup> The Washington Street sidewalk project was coordinated with the Vermont Agency of Transportation highway rehabilitation project scheduled for Washington Street. Local tax dollars (sidewalk money) was set aside for use when this project was undertaken.

### STORM SEWERS

General maintenance was performed on the storm sewer system. The Vac-Con equipment (sewer cleaner) was used extensively to clean storm lines. Numerous catch basins were repaired throughout the storm sewer system. The winter months bring frost heaves, which raise havoc with the tops of the catch basins breaking the seal between the frames and the walls of the basins. No new installations were made other than minor extensions and repairs.

## **WINTER MAINTENANCE**

We purchased 2,477.11 tons of road salt at \$38.40 /ton, costing \$95,121.02, and purchased 602 cubic yards of sand at \$6.45 /cubic yard, costing \$3,882.90. Last year we purchased 2,760.81 tons of road salt at \$40.24 /ton), costing \$111,094.99, and purchased 424.5 cubic yards of sand at \$6.25 /cubic yard, costing \$2,653.13.

## **SEWER**

We continue to repair manholes on an as-needed-basis. The number of sewer back-ups has been greatly reduced and we attribute this to T.V. inspections of pipes. A great deal of documentation has been compiled in order to track trouble areas. Once an area is identified it receives corrective action.

This year we spent most of the spring and summer cleaning and cutting roots from the West Side Sewer. This work was also done in 1990; however, we experienced an overflow caused by roots re-entering the pipes, which violated our Wastewater Permit. We expect that this cleaning work will continue into the coming year.

## **WATER**

We continue to upgrade water services as needed, in conjunction with our Street Reconstruction program. No new waterlines were scheduled for the system which gave personnel an opportunity to perform general maintenance on the water system. This involves hydrant repair/maintenance, water service replacements, service box and road box repairs, and responses to contractor requests for various construction projects.

We have spent a great of time replacing old water meters with new meters which utilize the "touch-read system". This new system allows us to obtain water meter readings without entering the building. This new meter installation will be an ongoing effort which will reduce the amount of time needed to read water meters.

The Pierce Road water tank (1-million gallon capacity) was put into service and is performing well. This will allow us to maintain positive pressures in the system in the Trow Hill area during abnormal demands in the downtown area.

## **WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

The Plant continues to perform well, but as the components age there is a need for ongoing maintenance and repairs. No major components experienced problems, and the Plant was able to meet the criteria in our Discharge Permit.

## **WATER TREATMENT FACILITY**

The facility continues to perform well. As components age there is a need to replace components. With the use of telemetry and radio signal transmission from various components of the water system (pressure reducing valves, water tanks, altitude valves, etc.) we can better monitor the performance of the water system. This additional technology will also assist us in identifying major leaks on the system.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

### **Civic Center Complex – Auditorium Hill**

The Public Works Department replaced approximately 270 feet of sidewalk fronting the main, front parking lot at the Auditorium. A planter was installed in-conjunction with this improvement.

Handicap parking was also designated in this area which is compliant with the American Disabilities Act requirements.

### **Washington Street Sidewalk Replacement**

This sidewalk replacement project was scheduled in-conjunction with a Vermont Agency of Transportation Agency highway rehabilitation project. The sidewalk project began in the spring of 2004 and it is expected that the project will continue into the late fall of the year. Approximately 2,600 lineal feet of sidewalk is scheduled for replacement. The State project funded ADA ramps at all intersections, while the sidewalk replacement was funded by local tax dollars. By combining the two projects Taxpayers' will experience a tremendous improvement on this section of highway.

## **ENGINEERING**

This Department continues to be active in coordinating and supervising all phases of construction throughout the City. The Department also keeps job costs and provides estimates for City projects.

The Department is very active in responding to numerous Taxpayer issues throughout the year and providing mapping as needed.

We are currently concentrating on obtaining field data for upgraded utility improvements so as to update our utility maps.

At this time I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mayor Peter Anthony, City Manager Richard Fitzgerald, my staff, other public officials, citizens and employees of the City of Barre for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

**REGINALD ABARE**  
*City Engineer*

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT



The Barre City Recreation Department offered a variety of programs this year for all ages. The programs included an after-school High School Intramural Basketball program, computer courses for seniors, ballroom dancing, martial arts, lifeguard training, N.U. Basketball Camp, New Year's Eve Basketball Madness, faux finishing, Pet Parade, Halloween Party in Depot Square, bridge classes, Annual Easter Egg Hunt, learn-to-swim program, public skating, Breakfast with Santa, Santa Calling, teen skating and DJ event, D.A.R.E. Skating and Hot Dog Event, holiday crafts, open gym, Dribble Mania Soccer, cheerleading camp, school vacation activities, and more.

The Recreation Department schedules all of the ice rentals at the B.O.R. building, as well as all events and meetings in the Civic Center's B.O.R., Alumni Hall and Auditorium complexes. The addition of the elevator has expanded opportunities for the meeting rooms, and they have grown in popularity. Over the last year Alumni Hall has seen the most growth in use, with groups requesting space for meetings and seminars. Some groups have scheduled Alumni Hall in conjunction with a larger event using the Auditorium or B.O.R. building.

In addition to the popular Farm Show, Home Show, Kiwanis Auction, Capital Candy, and F.W. Webb shows, we hosted such events as Homier Tools, driver's training classes, American Legion Convention, Girl Scout Council, Vermont Democratic and Republican Parties, Central Vermont Hospital, Cabot Creamery, Barre Justice Center Training, Scrapbooking, Vermont Principals' Association High School Basketball Championships, Globetrotters, Steve Green in Concert, The Bernadettes, and more.

The Rotary Park picnic shelter was popular again this year. During the majority of weekends from May through September, the shelter was used by people enjoying birthday parties, family reunions, wedding receptions, company outings and more. Anyone interested in reserving the shelter is asked to call the Recreation Department office at 476-0257.

The Barre City Board of Recreation continued discussions on improving recreational opportunities for residents in the North end, especially at the site of the new Public Safety Building. Joint meetings were held with the Barre Town Recreation Board to work on joint needs and activities

both from a facility and programmatic point of view.

The Recreation Department extends a special "Thank you" to all the Barre Youth Sports Association coaches who dedicated their time to the soccer, basketball, football, wrestling, lacrosse and hockey programs, and to Community Baseball for their successful programs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Barre City Manager Richard Fitzgerald, the Barre City Board of Recreation, fellow department heads, Marsha Flanagan, Recreation Program Director, and all the volunteers who helped make recreational programs and opportunities available in the City of Barre throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE L. QUARANTA

*Director of Recreation*



## REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

### Schedule of Delinquencies

June 30, 2004

#### DELINQUENT TAXES:

Balance of delinquent taxes, June 30, 2004.....	\$134,284.85
2003 August Quarter delinquent .....	104,974.00
2003 November Quarter delinquent.....	110,820.26
2004 February Quarter delinquent .....	113,037.16
2004 May Quarter delinquent .....	132,639.90

Total Delinquent Taxes .....	\$595,756.17
Total Amount Collected from July 2003 to June 2004 ...	<u>- 468,894.75</u>

Balance .....	\$126,861.42
Abated and Voids .....	- 6.41
Tax Sale to City.....	<u>- 5,684.86</u>

Balance June 30, 2004 .....	\$121,170.15
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#### DELINQUENT WATER:

Balance of delinquent water June 30, 2004 .....	\$59,820.78
2003 September Quarter delinquent .....	45,590.72
2003 December Quarter delinquent .....	53,423.94
2004 March Quarter delinquent .....	38,794.30
2004 June Quarter delinquent .....	<u>38,929.14</u>

Total Delinquent Water .....	\$236,558.88
Total Amount Collected from July 2003 to June 2004 ....	<u>-189,679.79</u>

Balance .....	\$46,879.09
Abated and Voids .....	<u>- 46.84</u>

Balance June 30, 2004 .....	\$46,832.25
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## DELINQUENT SEWER:

Balance of delinquent sewer, June 30, 2004 .....	\$25,681.08
2003 September Quarter delinquent .....	20,805.61
2003 December Quarter delinquent .....	24,231.87
2004 March Quarter delinquent .....	17,081.64
2004 June Quarter delinquent .....	<u>17,891.15</u>

Total Delinquent Sewer .....	\$105,691.35
Total Amount Collected from July 2003 to June 2004 ....	<u>- 85,185.41</u>

Balance .....	\$20,505.94
Abated and Voids .....	<u>- 0.70</u>

Balance June 30, 2004 .....	20,505.24
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Respectfully submitted,

Robin Caron  
Assistant Tax Collector

**YEARLY DOG LICENSE FEES****Effective July 1, 2004**

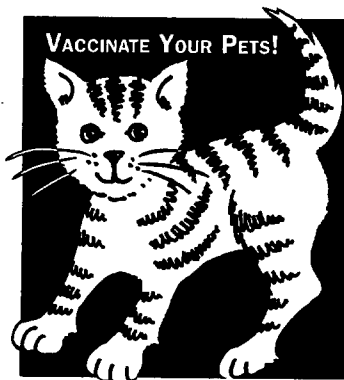
All dogs must be registered at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, on or before April 1st of each year.

To register a new dog (6 months or older) a rabies certificate as well as a neutered or spayed certificate must be presented at the City Clerk's Office.

Neutered Male & Spayed Female	\$10.00
Male & Female	16.00
After April 1st	
Neutered Male & Spayed Female	\$14.00
Male & Female	23.00

**RABIES ALERT**

Rabies is a disease that can kill animals and people.



- \* Vermont law requires rabies shots for all CATS and DOGS.
- \* Rabies shots help protect pets and pet owners from rabies.
- \* Enjoy wildlife from a safe distance. Remember, rabid animals have been found in all Vermont counties.



Questions? Call the Vermont Rabies Hotline  
**1-800-4-RABIES (472-2437)**

Vermont Department of Health • Health Surveillance Division  
P.O. Box 70, Burlington, VT 05402 • 863-7240 or 1-800-640-4374

**FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004  
EMPLOYEE EARNINGS OVER \$300.00**

Abare, Reginald T	City Engineer/ Public Works Director	58,026.12
Amaral, Anthony C	Police Dept	45,119.32
Amaral, Anthony C	Special Projects	60.00 *
Ashe, Russell P	Fire Dept	39,137.60
Ashe, Russell P	Overtime	16,632.60
Ashe, Russell P	Special Projects	558.60 *
Aubut, Matthew J	Police/Fire Dept	1,488.69
Aubut, Matthew J	Special Projects	471.00 *
Badeau, Bernard N	Water Dept	20,354.76
Baker, Richard T	Planning/Zoning Administrator	38,317.01
Balzanelli, Salvatore F	Cemetery Dept	6,553.75
Barclay, Robert J	Wastewater Treatment Plant	39,035.84
Baril, James A	Police Dept	47,949.90
Baril, James A	Special Projects	5,223.23 *
Barnett, Bradley S	Cemetery Dept	483.00
Bascom, James S	Recreation Dept	1,638.00
Batchelder, Kevin B	Recreation Dept	1,758.75
Bennett, Rodha A	Facilities Dept	3,612.68
Bennett, Rodha A	Special Projects	114.88 *
Bernier, Tobias J	Police Dept	32,346.84
Bernier, Tobias J	Special Projects	2,373.48 *
Bizzozero, Rachel M	Finance Dept	13,175.31
Black, James A	Fire Dept	44,175.45
Black, James A	Overtime	6,668.72
Blood, Steven D	Street Dept	33,951.69
Blouin, Michael J	Cemetery Dept	2,282.00
Borowske, Colin M	Recreation Dept	1,482.25
Bramman, Kathryn H	Assessor's Office	34,227.64
Breault, Bonnie J	Engineer / Building Dept	15,941.27
Breen, Meghan E	Recreation Dept	2,046.75
Bresett Jr, Willda W	Fire Dept	35,814.88
Bresett Jr, Willda W	Overtime	15,983.17
Bresett Jr, Willda W	Special Projects	715.28 *
Brown, James P	Street Dept	38,979.30
Brown, Lawrence C	Fire Dept	3,385.96
Brown, Lawrence C	Special Projects	25.00 *
Brown, Robert C	Fire Dept	36,443.34
Brown, Robert C	Overtime	21,886.92
Brown, Robert C	Special Projects	91.20 *
Brunner, Bryan A	Recreation Dept	2,292.96
Bullard, Adam J	Facilities Dept/Animal Control	24,761.54
Bullard, Adam J	Special Projects	879.06 *
Bullard, Don A	Cemetery Dept	37,292.67
Bullard, Megan L	Cemetery Dept	3,197.26
Caron, Robin L	Finance Dept	15,754.25

Carroll, Harvey J	Fire Dept	42,861.90
Carroll, Harvey J	Overtime	11,886.59
Carroll, Harvey J	Special Projects	279.61 *
Charron, Paul R	Fire Dept	2,352.00
Charron, Paul R	Special Projects	78.75 *
Chase Jr, Raymond C	Wastewater Treatment Plant	38,286.78
Cochran, Jeffrey B	Fire Dept	20,200.65
Cochran, Jeffrey B	Overtime	19,359.66
Cochran, Jeffrey B	Special Projects	386.00 *
Coffrin, Dwight A	Director Cem/Parks Dept	46,134.67
Coffrin, Thomas J	Cemetery Dept	4,986.00
Cohen, Benjamin I	Police Dept	194.37
Cohen, Benjamin I	Special Projects	160.00 *
Collins, Gloria J	Finance Dept	29,992.77
Conti, Maria E	Recreation Dept	1,701.14
Copeland, Krystal A	Recreation Dept	1,074.15
Cote, Manon M	Recreation Dept	6,466.01
Cote, Ryan J	Facilities Dept	1,011.41
Cressey, Patricia M	City Manager's Office	27,204.67
Crowningshield, Douglas S	Fire Dept	788.03
Crowningshield, Sheridan E	Water Dept	38,286.44
Curtis, Brent H	Police Dept	53,428.94
Curtis, Brent H	Special Projects	4,910.00 *
Curtis, Howard N	Special Projects	4,046.00 *
Cushman, Brian K	Fire Dept	27,011.99
Cushman, Brian K	Overtime	10,881.99
Cushman, Brian K	Special Projects	133.83 *
Dailey, Harry A	Sewer Dept	10,740.73
Davis Jr, Wesley J	Facilities Dept	30,399.31
Davis Jr, Wesley J	Special Projects	346.17 *
DeGreenia, Catherine I	Police Dept	52,709.08
Delphia, Gary L	Facilities Director	35,775.39
Dexter, Donnel A	Street Dept	37,922.11
Dubois, Sylvia F	Facilities Dept	6,617.20
Dubois, Sylvia F	Special Projects	193.92 *
Duhaime, Robert H	Police Dept	60,708.82
Duhaime, Robert H	Special Projects	2,832.00 *
Dutton, Schuyler D	Recreation Dept	1,594.25
Eastman Jr, Larry E	Police Dept	50,525.84
Eastman Sr, Larry E	Fire Dept	47,092.82
Eastman Sr, Larry E	Overtime	6,540.14
Edmunds, Randall P	Cemetery Dept	34,756.91
Farnham Jr, Kenneth W	Water Dept Supt	50,942.05
Fitzgerald, Richard L	City Manager	64,003.01
Flanagan, Marsha L	Recreation Dept	32,112.59
Fleury, Jason R	Police Dept	47,096.68
Fleury, Jason R	Special Projects	4,473.73 *
Ford, John R	Plumbing Inspector	17,747.40
Franks, Elizabeth A	Recreation Dept	1,522.50
Fraser, Stephen C	Engineering Dept	34,848.66

Gagnon, Scott A	Fire Dept	8,886.52
Gagnon, Scott A	Overtime	865.44
Galway, Kevin P	Police Dept	51,353.30
Galway, Kevin P	Special Projects	7,579.00 *
George, Kellen R	Cemetery Dept	3,960.25
Giallombardo, Glenn D	Water Dept	32,183.04
Gladding, David G	Fire Dept	38,577.61
Gladding, David G	Overtime	24,641.00
Gladding, David G	Special Projects	504.84 *
Gloor, Douglas R	Fire Dept	3,246.72
Gloor, Douglas R	Special Projects	200.63 *
Graham, Richard D	Facilities Dept/Animal Control	13,862.12
Haldane, Scott D	Sewer Dept	28,944.15
Hayden, Amy L	Police Dept	33,070.36
Hayden Jr, Harold A	Police Dept	63,767.32
Haynes, William D	Fire Dept	4,041.75
Hebert, Eric J	Fire Dept	4,685.39
Hedin, Laura T	Police Dept	36,891.28
Hill, Peter R	Street Dept	23,309.90
Hill, W Samuel	Police Dept	48,079.56
Hill, W Samuel	Special Projects	208.00 *
Hotchkiss, Bonnie L	Special Projects	848.00 *
Howarth, Robert C	Fire Dept	37,843.76
Howarth, Robert C	Overtime	9,212.03
Hoyt, Everett J	Sewer Dept	2,227.30
Hutchins, Jeffrey M	Recreation Dept	1,866.76
Hutchins, Kurt M	Recreation Dept	1,834.00
Hutchinson, John C	Water Plant	45,465.23
Ibey, Charlene M	Cemetery Dept	7,242.19
James, Alan R	Fire Dept	832.75
Jean, Stephanie L	Recreation Dept	649.22
John, Peter D	Fire Chief	55,144.54
John, Peter D	Emergency Management Dir	2,500.00
John, William I	Fire Dept	44,070.12
John, William I	Overtime	14,472.20
Johns, Jason R	Fire Dept	1,592.00
Kelly Jr, Joseph E	Fire Dept	38,017.66
Kelly Jr, Joseph E	Overtime	21,852.59
Kelly Jr, Joseph E	Special Projects	1,579.42 *
Kirkpatrick, Troy S	Police Dept	61,517.33
Kirkpatrick, Troy S	Special Projects	2,282.00 *
LaForest, Michael R	Street/Sewer Dept	43,231.50
Laird, Melissa S	Recreation Dept	510.90
Lavallee, Michelle A	Police Dept	12,547.89
Lewis, Daniel M	Cemetery Dept	1,891.00
Lowe, Robert L	Police Dept	52,121.75
Luce, Jessica L	Recreation Dept	1,727.25
Lunt Jr, Claude L	Street Dept	7,278.62
Lunt, Sheila J	Del Tax Collector/Zoning Dept	30,959.59
Maloney, Jason F	Water Dept	37,711.02
Maranville, Gerald L	Fire Dept	817.25

Marceau, Andrew W	Police Dept	47,020.03
Marceau, Andrew W	Special Projects	920.00 *
Markham, Clifton C	Sewer Dept	642.88
McNally, Donna C	Payroll Dept	36,255.61
Menard, Dennis R	Police Dept	44,407.61
Micheli, Steven N	Wastewater/Water Plant Supt	50,068.12
Miller, Angela J	Police Dept	4,509.14
Miller, Kasey K	Cemetery Dept	1,302.00
Miller, Robert W	Police Dept	66,370.91
Miller, Robert W	Special Projects	2,863.00 *
Mitchell, Sarah J	Recreation Dept	1,567.63
Mitchell II, William J	Police Dept	42.30
Mitchell II, William J	Special Projects	1,514.00 *
Moran, Jon P	Water Dept	35,964.39
Morgan, Larry A	Engineering Dept	40,121.48
Morrow, Karlie L	Recreation Dept	1,931.64
Mott, John C	Special Projects	1,870.00 *
Nelson, David H	Street Dept	37,822.98
Nolan, Aimee B	Police Dept	40,004.95
Nolan, Aimee B	Special Projects	2,672.00 *
Nutbrown, Lisa L	Recreation Dept	745.47
O'Grady, Peter L	Street/Sewer Dept Supt	51,810.96
Ostrout, Richard H	Street Dept	1,361.23
Palmisano, Jamie A	Police Dept	57,995.52
Palmisano, Jamie A	Special Projects	96.00 *
Parker, Rowdie Y	Facilities Dept	39,970.11
Parker, Rowdie Y	Special Projects	1,771.32 *
Patch, Orton W	Special Projects	632.00 *
Pearce, Kayla M	Recreation Dept	770.00
Pecor, Neil J	Fire Dept	737.25
Perez, David L	Water Plant	42,685.08
Pontbriand, James D	Police Dept	33,471.36
Pontbriand, James D	Special Projects	1,810.00 *
Poulin, Nicole F	Ambulance Dept	29,046.25
Quaranta, Stephanie L	Recreation & Promotions Director	48,785.81
Raymond Sr, Richard C	Street Dept	35,366.12
Richards, James L	Cemetery Dept	7,231.00
Richardson, Delphia L	Comm Serv/Meter Enforcement	27,282.80
Rouleau, Joseph J	Wastewater Treatment Plant	41,973.65
Rounds, Steven D	Police Dept	1,863.38
Rounds, Steven D	Special Projects	3,557.86 *
Ryan, Joseph E	Special Projects	1,652.00 *
Ryan, Patty L	Police Dept	63,962.12
Ryan, Robert E	Police Dept	64,723.09
Ryan, Robert E	Special Projects	5,072.00 *
Schauer, Russell A	Police Dept	47,925.31
Seaver, Debbie L	Finance Dept	35,284.26
Shaw, Richard J	Special Projects	3,017.00 *
Sheridan Jr, Gary R	Fire Dept	34,032.06
Sheridan Jr, Gary R	Overtime	12,868.73
Sheridan Jr, Gary R	Special Projects	524.40 *

Slora, Russell J	Police Dept	45,173.77
Slora, Russell J	Special Projects	738.00 *
Smith, Clint P	Water/Sewer Dept	37,513.07
Somaini, Elizabeth L	Admin Services Director	44,456.13
Sousis, Raynie C	Cemetery Dept	1,757.00
Stacey, Chad A	Police Dept	1,317.71
Stacey, Chad A	Special Projects	564.00 *
Stone, Bonnie L	Police Dept	36,372.24
Strachan, Robbie B	Building Dept Director	35,299.77
Stupik, Mark S	Police Dept	37,017.80
Stupik, Mark S	Special Projects	128.00 *
Supernault, Merton A	Facilities Dept	34,639.62
Supernault, Merton A	Special Projects	2,675.95 *
Taft, Douglas A	Cemetery Dept	1,057.00
Tassie, Stephen C	Cemetery Dept	2,580.00
Thayer, Paul R	Special Projects	304.00 *
Thygesen, L Karmen	Engineer/Bldg Dept	11,871.09
Tilton, Arthur R	Street Dept	23,346.93
Tousignant, Roland P	Police Dept	41,831.62
Tousignant, Roland P	Special Projects	712.24 *
Towle, Lindsay I	Recreation Dept	1,301.13
Trask-Bettis, Kathy J	Accounting Dept	30,206.34
Tucker, Russell W	Street Dept	37,703.37
Watson, Travis M	Cemetery Dept	2,137.50
Wendel, Eddie F	Sewer Dept	12,044.19
Wheatley, Peter W	Street Dept	16,237.11
Whipple, Trevor S	Police Chief	55,373.25
Wood, Russell S	Fire Dept	20,804.92
Wood, Russell S	Overtime	11,581.24
Wood, Russell S	Special Projects	945.52 *

\* Special Projects include coordination of parking, police, fire and custodial activities at the City Auditorium/BOR, and traffic/crowd control at other functions. These costs are reimbursed to the City by the sponsoring agencies.

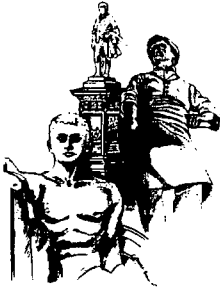
### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Anthony, Peter D	Mayor	653.88
Copping, Randall E	Councilor-Ward 3	1,000.00
Daniels, Harry L	Councilor-Ward 3	1,000.00
DeCoste, Paul T	Councilor-Ward 2	1,000.00
Hannigan, John J	Councilor-Ward 1	1,000.00
Monti, Harry S	Mayor	1,384.70
Moulton, Kevin T	Councilor-Ward 2	1,000.00
Spaulding, Kevin F	Councilor-Ward 1	1,000.00
Stratton, Eugene G	City Clerk/Treasurer	43,273.27

Donna C. McNally  
Payroll Clerk



## BARRE HOMECOMING DAYS 2004



Barre Homecoming Days 2004, the 9th annual summer Homecoming Festival and the largest celebration in Barre City and Barre Town, spanned four days from July 29th to August 1st. It began on Thursday with the Palletteers' Art Show in the City's Aldrich Public Library, and with races at Thunder Road in Barre Town. Aside from the Water Carnival held at the municipal pool, Friday and Saturday focused on the downtown where local service clubs, churches and non-profits set up tents in City Hall Park right alongside local for-profit vendors and the City Recreation Department to provide a host of good food, fun and games for the thousands of visitors who came to enjoy them.

This year featured seven new activities especially for children, thanks to funding provided by a \$1,600 CVRM Sponsorship. Musical entertainment in City Hall Park ran continually from Friday evening through Saturday culminating with a street dance Saturday night. Other events included a truck pull, a 5K foot race, a flea market in Depot Square, arts activities at Studio Place Arts, and historical games and an open house at the History Center. The Fire Department held their annual Duck Race in the river, and also held an open house with a display of antique autos at the fire station. There was a wonderful parade on Saturday afternoon, followed by a Teen Battle of the Bands in Depot Square and fireworks that night. The Travis Mercy Memorial Skateboard competition was held on Sunday at the Barre Town Recreation field, and an Antique and Classic Car Drive-in at Thunder Road to benefit Camp Takumta.

The purpose of Homecoming Days is to encourage everyone to come home to Barre. It is to show residents and visitors alike that Barre is a great place to be, and to be from. It is intended to entice people who are staying in the area and those just driving through, who might not otherwise come in to the City on a summer afternoon, to do just that and to become aware of all that Barre has to offer.

This was predominantly, but not exclusively a family event. It is non-alcoholic good fun. There are activities for energetic participants as well passive onlookers, for children, teens, adults and seniors, including many things they can all enjoy together. Class reunions are popular.

The event is run by a group of dedicated volunteers who began meeting to make plans on November 6, 2003, and who met monthly from February through May, bi-monthly in June and weekly in July with the annual wrap-up meeting on August 3rd. Committees were formed for each of the major aspects of the festival—entertainment, parade, children's activities, and vendors—and the City and Town Police, Fire and Public Works Departments are brought on board from the start so that the festival will run smoothly. Each committee efficiently handled its own part in the festival under the supervision of the Homecoming Chairperson, and in cooperation with all others involved. The service clubs manage their own contributions to the event and help elsewhere as needed. This year a lottery was held in the spring to choose a non-profit organization to sponsor the Saturday night supper as a fundraiser. The winner was the Lots of Smiles Day Care Center who donated the profits to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont.

Homecoming was funded in part by the Central Vermont Regional Marketing Organization, the Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing, the voters in both Barre City and Barre Town, the Vermont Arts Council, as well as by generous donations of all sizes from local businesses and individuals. We are gratified to have so many donors who feel this is important enough to support even during lean times.

Sincerely,

NANCY HANSON

*Chairperson, Barre Homecoming Days 2004*

## CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES

### BUILDINGS & LANDS, by DEPARTMENT      ADDRESS

#### CEMETERY & PARKS DEPARTMENT

Department office .....201 Maple Avenue

#### CEMETERIES

Elmwood Cemetery .....Washington Street

Hope Cemetery .....Maple Avenue

St. Monica's Cemetery .....Beckley Street

#### PARKS

Beckley Street Park .....Beckley Street

City Hall Park .....Washington Street

Currier Park .....Park Street

Dente Park .....Maple Avenue

Lavoie Park.....Granite Street

Robert Burns Monument .....Academy Street

#### CITY HALL

Municipal offices and Opera House.....6 North Main Street

Police Department ..... 12 North Main Street

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** .....8 South Main Street

#### BARRE CIVIC CENTER

Alumni Hall .....20 Auditorium Hill

BOR Shelter.....25 Auditorium Hill

Municipal Auditorium .....16 Auditorium Hill

**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING** (*under construction*)15 Fourth Street

#### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Department office .....20 Auditorium Hill

#### BARRE RECREATION AREA

Bike Path .....50 Fairview Street

Municipal Pool and Bath House .....59 Parkside Terrace

Picnic Shelter.....36 Parkside Terrace

#### PLAYGROUNDS

Currier Park .....Park Street

Farwell Street Recreation Area.....	Farwell Street
Garfield Playground.....	Lincoln Avenue
Lincoln Recreation Field .....	Camp Street
Mathewson Playground .....	Wellington Street
Nativi Playground.....	River Street
North Barre Playground .....	Fifth Street
North Barre Skating Rink.....	49 Treatment Plant Road
Vine Street Playground.....	Vine Street

**SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT** .....49 Treatment Plant Road

**SEWER DEPARTMENT** .....12 Burnham Street

**STREET DEPARTMENT** .....6 Burnham Street

**WATER DEPARTMENT** .....4 Burnham Street

**WATER STORAGE TANKS**

Bailey Street Storage Tank .....190 Bailey Street

Pierce Road Storage Tank.....23 Pierce Road

**WATER FILTRATION PLANT** .....164 Reservoir Road

Thurman W. Dix reservoir dam .....Reservoir Road

**MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTIES**

**PARKING LOTS**

Campbell Parking Lot.....West Street

Merchants Row Parking Lot.....Merchants Row

Pearl Street Parking Lot.....Summer Street

Rinker Parking Lot ..... Seminary Street |

South Main Street Parking Lot .....

 South Main Street |

Tennis Court Parking Lot .....

 Boynton Street |

**OTHER SIGNIFICANT PROPERTIES**

Barre Senior Citizens Center .....135 North Main Street

Barre Supervisory Union Office .....120 Ayers Street

Bolster Reservoir.....Snow Bridge Road

City Cow Pasture.....Maplewood Avenue

East Montpelier property.....US Route 2

former Dufresne house .....226 East Montpelier Road

Jackson Park ..... Circle Street |

Martin Brook Forest .....

 Falls Bridge Road |

McFarland Springs .....

 South Barre Road |

Pecks Pond.....

 VT Route 63 |

Upper Bolster property .....

 Snow Bridge Road |

## LIST OF VEHICLES AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT

CEMETERY	1985	Chevrolet	C10 pickup
	1999	GMC	Dump truck
	1999	John Deere	Mower z track
	1999	John Deere	Mower
	1999	Scagg	Mower
	2000	John Deere	Mower saber
CITY MANAGER	2004	John Deere	Mower 485
	1999	Ford	Taurus
CITY & TOWN	1998	Ford	Jet vac
	1998	Ford	E150 van
ENGINEERING	1980	Ford	Pumper
	1986	Chevrolet	Pickup
FIRE	1987	International	Pumper/tanker
	1995	International	Pumper
	1995	International	Pumper
	1996	Jeep	Cherokee
	1997	Ford	Ambulance
	1999	Ford	Sedan
	2001	Ford	E350 ambulance
	2004	Ford	F250 pickup
	2004	Pace	Cargo trailer
	1995	Chevrolet	Impala
	1997	GMC	Jimmy
	1998	Ford	Taurus wagon
	1998	Chevrolet	Lumina
	2000	Chevrolet	Impala
POLICE	2002	Ford	Taurus
	2003	Chevrolet	Impala
	2003	Chevrolet	Impala
	2004	Chevrolet	Impala
	1994	Ford	F350 1 ton
	1993	Ford	Pickup
	1984	Ford	Dump truck
	1987	John Deere	Spreader
RECREATION & SEWER	1990	Ford	Ranger
	1994	Caterpillar	928 loader
	1994	International	Dump truck
	1994	International	Dump truck
	1968	Joy	Air compressor
	1972	<i>unknown</i>	Bucket machines
RECREATION	1974	Chevrolet	G10 van
	1976	<i>unknown</i>	Rodder
	1997	Chevrolet	C1500 pickup
	1998	Ford	Van
SEWAGE TREATMENT			
PLANT			
SEWER			

STREET	2000	Case	5801 backhoe
	2003	C. H. & E.	8" 9000 sewer pump
	<i>unk</i>	Bryant Jr	Sidewalk sander
	<i>unk</i>	Bryant Jr	Sidewalk sander
	1947	GMC	Flatbed truck
	1966	Ford	Farm tractor
	1968	<i>unknown</i>	Utility trailer
	1969	Weston	JM roller
	1973	Sno-Go	Blower
	1975	Allis Chalmer	Dozer
	1978	Sno-go	MP-3D snowblower
	1981	Atlas copco	Air compressor
	1982	Aeriol	Utility
	1985	<i>unknown</i>	Utility trailer
	1985	International	Dump truck
	1986	Chevrolet	1 ton truck
	1988	Chevrolet	Dump truck
	1989	International	Dump truck
	1989	Fiat Allis	Loader
	1991	International	Dump truck
	1992	International	4800 dump
	1994	International	Dump truck
	1994	International	Dump truck
	1994	Ford	Pickup
	1995	Bryant Jr	Sidewalk sander
	1996	Bobcat	753 skid steer
	1998	International	Dump truck
	1998	International	Dump truck
	1998	Bobcat	753 skid steer
	1999	Johnson	Street sweeper
	1999	Kasi Infrared	4-ton hauler
	2000	New Holland	LW170 Loader
	2000	Homemade	Equipment trailer
	2000	Bobcat	753 skid steer
	2001	Ford	Pickup
	2001	Ford	Pickup
WATER	1968	Cater Pump	Utility trailer
	1973	International	Dozer
	1985	Norma	Utility trailer
	1986	Ingersol Rand	Air compressor
	1986	Ford	Van
	1996	Chevrolet	K1500 pickup
	1997	Chevrolet	Pickup
	2000	Case	Backhoe
	2002	International	Dump truck
	2002	Ford	F150 pickup
WATER TREATMENT PLANT	1994	Ford	Pickup

**CITY OF BARRE  
(WARNING) AND RECORD FOR THE  
ANNUAL CITY MEETING  
MARCH 2, 2004**

State of Vermont Washington County,ss 2-Mar-04

At the annual City Meeting legally warned and holden in the several wards of the City of Barre, Vermont, on the first

Tuesday of March, 2004, various questions having been duly taken, sorted, counted and also tabulated, the following had the number of votes annexed to their names/items, respectively, for the several offices and items stated:

<u>Voted Item</u>	<u>Ward I</u>	<u>Ward II</u>	<u>Ward III</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>Mayor-Two Year Term</b>				
Peter D. Anthony	319	284	245	848
Conrad J. Estivill	28	26	25	79
Leo M. Valliere	331	196	177	704
Write-ins	9	7	7	23
Blanks/spoiled	20	20	18	58
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**City Clerk & Treasurer-  
Two Year Term**

Eugene G. Stratton	624	480	425	1529
Write-ins	8	3	12	23
Blanks/spoiled	75	50	35	160
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**First Constable - Two  
Year Term**

Scott A. Gagnon	373	285	286	944
David K. Hough	201	147	118	466
Write-ins	2	3	3	8
Blanks/spoiled	131	98	65	294
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**Alderman-Two Year Term  
Ward I**

Kevin Spaulding	617			617
Write-ins	6			6
Blanks/spoiled	84			84
Totals	707	0	0	707

**Alderman-Two Year Term  
Ward II**

Paul DeCoste		264		264
Joelen Mulvaney		132		132
David Murphy		94		94
Write-ins		1		1
Blanks/spoiled		42		42
Totals	0	533	0	533

**Alderman-Two Year Term  
Ward III**

Harry L. Daniels			413	413
Write-ins			16	16
Blanks/spoiled			43	43
Totals	0	0	472	472

Article I-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize a General Fund Budget of \$6,976,675 of which \$4,511,229 is to be raised by local property taxes for the fiscal year July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005?

Yes	358	284	226	868
No	324	231	232	787
Blanks/spoiled	25	18	14	57
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article II-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$200,000 for the Street Reconstruction and Restoration Plan?

Yes	557	445	364	1366
No	134	78	100	312
Blanks/spoiled	16	10	8	34
Totals	707	533	472	1712



Article III-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$75,000 for the Capital Budget?

Yes	397	325	266	988
No	279	182	187	648
Blanks/spoiled	31	26	19	76
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article IV-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$65,000 for Sidewalk improvements?

Yes	542	435	329	1,306
No	149	90	137	376
Blanks/spoiled	16	8	6	30
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article V-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the expenditure of \$3,000 for the Barre Homecoming Celebration Event?

Yes	431	347	290	1,068
No	257	173	173	603
Blanks/spoiled	19	13	9	41
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article VI-Shall the City Voters authorize a Property Tax Exemption for Project Independence, Inc. on 3.4 acres of recently acquired vacant land abutting their property on Upper Washington Street?

Yes	396	325	255	976
No	286	186	203	675
Blanks/spoiled	25	22	14	61
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article VII-Shall the City Voters authorize the City Council to sell any and all unused lands owned by the City, whether within the City limits or outside the City limits, on terms and conditions approved by the City Council, with the proceeds of sale of such parcels to be used to reduce the tax rate in the next succeeding municipal budget?

Yes	585	427	370	1,382
No	103	86	92	281
Blanks/spoiled	19	20	10	49
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article VIII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,000 for Good Beginnings of Central Vermont?

Yes	287	239	188	714
No	389	255	268	912
Blanks/spoiled	31	39	16	86
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article IX-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$3,500 for The Family Center of Washington County?

Yes	355	316	238	909
No	327	191	220	738
Blanks/spoiled	25	26	14	65
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article X-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 for Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club?

Yes	412	345	279	1,036
No	274	166	186	626
Blanks/spoiled	21	22	7	50
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XI-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,000 for Barre Neighborhood Housing Services (dba Central Vermont Community Land Trust)?

Yes	316	281	206	803
No	364	227	249	840
Blanks/spoiled	27	25	17	69
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$7,700 for Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (Barre Learning Center)?

Yes	422	353	298	1,073
No	261	161	165	587
Blanks/spoiled	24	19	9	52
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XIII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 for Central Vermont Council on Aging?

Yes	452	393	321	1,166
No	232	126	136	494
Blanks/spoiled	23	14	15	52
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XIV-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,500 for the Washington County Diversion Program?

Yes	319	268	192	779
No	357	228	263	848
Blanks/spoiled	31	37	17	85
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XV-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$2,000 for the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County?

Yes	432	380	276	1,088
No	251	135	183	869
Blanks/spoiled	24	18	13	55
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XVI-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$2,000 for Battered Women's Services and Shelter?

Yes	459	378	305	1,142
No	226	141	156	532
Blanks/spoiled	22	14	11	47
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XVII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$21,000 for Green Mountain Transit Agency?

Yes	367	300	245	912
No	321	214	217	752
Blanks/spoiled	19	19	10	48
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XVIII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$28,000 for Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice?

Yes	546	423	363	1,332
No	149	101	96	346
Blanks/spoiled	12	9	13	34
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XIX-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$2,000 for the Onion River Arts Council?

Yes	266	202	135	603
No	405	305	319	1,029
Blanks/spoiled	36	26	18	80
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XX-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$3,000 for the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program?

Yes	417	366	307	1,090
No	258	145	154	557
Blanks/spoiled	32	22	11	65
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXI-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$2,000 for People's Health & Wellness Clinic?

Yes	422	364	288	1,074
No	254	143	166	563
Blanks/spoiled	31	26	18	75
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$5,500 for Project Independence, Inc.?

Yes	371	321	240	932
No	301	186	210	697
Blanks/spoiled	35	26	22	83
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXIII-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$7,500 for the Barre Area Senior Center?

Yes	440	385	304	1129
No	237	126	153	516
Blanks/spoiled	30	22	15	67
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXIV-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$3,000 for the Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.?

Yes	284	273	203	760
No	383	223	249	855
Blanks/spoiled	40	37	20	97
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXV-Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,000 for Central Vermont Crime Stoppers?

Yes	440	369	296	1,105
No	230	139	158	527
Blanks/spoiled	37	25	18	80
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article XXVI-Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the Barre City Council to accept and expend any grants, gifts, or unanticipated revenues received during the fiscal year?

Yes	539	408	356	1,303
No	135	96	93	324
Blanks/spoiled	33	29	23	85
Totals	707	533	472	1712

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NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

**23-001-01, 23-001-02 & 23-001-003 Polling Place, Barre City Auditorium**

**Ballots: 103, 104 & 105  
Tally Sheet**

**OFFICIAL RETURN OF VOTES**

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>BALLOT ACCOUNTABILITY:</b>				
Registered voters, this polling place: (Enter total # names on checklist for this polling place.)	<u>3101</u>	<u>2742</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>6391</u>
Total Ballots voted in this Election: (Enter total # ballots counted.)	<u>1998</u>	<u>1557</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>3847</u>
Voters checked off entrance checklist: (This # should match the "Total Ballots voted in this Election.")	<u>1559</u>	<u>1234</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>3032</u>
If the numbers don't match, add a note to explain the discrepancy.				
Ballots voted ABSENTEE: (Enter # of absentee ballots returned and counted, not # of absentee ballots distributed.)	<u>439</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>815</u>
Remember that absentee voters are included in the number of voters checked off entrance checklist and total ballots voted.				
Spoiled or Defective Ballots: (Entire ballot is spoiled, not just one or a few races.)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Provisional Ballots Voted, if any: (Send voted provisional ballots in envelopes to Secretary of State with ORV)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Please REMEMBER TO REPORT ALL WRITE-IN candidates for every office.

<u>Voted Item</u>	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>FOR PRESIDENT &amp; VICE PRESIDENT</b>				
Michael Badnarik	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>13</u>
George W. Bush	<u>880</u>	<u>687</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>1703</u>
Roger Calero	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
John F. Kerry	<u>1070</u>	<u>822</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>2037</u>
Ralph Nader	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>43</u>
John Thompson Parker	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
Write-in	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17</u>
Blank/spoiled	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>28</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b><u>1998</u></b>	<b><u>1557</u></b>	<b><u>292</u></b>	<b><u>3847</u></b>

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<u>Voted Item</u>	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>FOR US SENATOR</b>				
Cris Ericson	35	24	5	64
Craig Hill	14	20	2	36
Patrick Leahy	1358	1069	211	2638
Jack McMullen	538	401	63	1002
Ben Mitchell	4	0	0	4
Keith Stern	8	15	5	28
Write-in:	1	1	0	2
Blanks/spoiled	40	27	6	73
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE  
TO CONGRESS**

Larry Drown	116	71	10	197
Jane Newton	12	11	8	31
Greg Parke	494	373	54	921
Bernie Sanders	1326	1076	214	2616
Write-in:	2	1	0	3
Blanks/spoiled	48	25	6	79
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR GOVERNOR**

Peter Clavelle	666	542	101	1309
Peter Diamondstone	9	6	2	17
Jim Douglas	1262	957	177	2396
Cris Ericson	13	19	5	37
Patricia Hejny	16	8	3	27
Hardy Machia	12	9	2	23
Write-in:	1	0	0	1
Blanks/spoiled	19	16	2	37
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR LIEUTENANT  
GOVERNOR**

Brian E. Dubie	1219	935	165	2319
Steve Hingtgen	138	118	21	277
Cheryl Pratt Rivers	571	443	89	1103
Peter Stevenson	13	19	9	41
Write-in:	1	1	0	2
Blanks/spoiled	56	41	8	105
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR STATE TREASURER**

Jeb Spaulding	1819	1390	269	3478
Write-in:	19	16	2	37
Blanks/spoiled	160	151	21	332
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

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<u>Voted Item</u>	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE</b>				
Deb Markowitz	1737	1328	259	3324
Write-in:	27	25	6	58
Blanks/spoiled	234	204	27	465
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS**

Randy Brock	1176	863	151	2190
Jerry Levy	81	93	17	191
Elizabeth M. Ready	636	524	113	1273
Write-in:	4	2	0	6
Blanks/spoiled	101	75	11	187
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Dennis Carver	619	521	103	1243
Susan A. Davis	69	39	14	122
Karen A. Kerin	59	41	5	105
James Marc Leas	24	31	6	61
William H. Sorrell	1125	849	152	2126
Boots Wardinski	15	12	1	28
Write-in:	3	1	1	5
Blanks/spoiled	84	63	10	157
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

Kimberly B. Cheney	682	540	98	1320
Ann E. Cummings	877	657	114	1648
William "Bill" Doyle	1212	936	171	2319
J. Paul Giuliani	678	496	86	1260
Michael Roche	374	284	57	715
Phil Scott	941	723	142	1806
Write-in:	6	2	1	9
Blanks/spoiled	1224	1031	207	2462
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5994</b>	<b>4669</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>11539</b>

**FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

Steve Green	0	0	157	157
Tom Luce	891	0	0	891
Harry S. Monti	0	1290	0	1290
Ruth H. Town	0	0	123	123
Leo M. Valliere	1041	0	0	1041
Write-in:	3	50	3	56
Blanks/spoiled	63	217	9	289
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>



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<u>Voted Item</u>	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>FOR HIGH BAILIFF</b>				
Philip Anthony	1723	1337	259	3319
Write-in:	10	6	2	18
Blanks/spoiled	265	214	31	510
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1557</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3847</b>

<b>FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE</b>				
	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Peter Anthony	1209	1004	197	2410
Pat Baril	1046	865	159	2070
Wayne P. Calderara, Sr.	1124	884	175	2183
Joan Carrigan	1041	822	159	2022
Harry Daniels	1037	828	166	2031
Juliette DuBois	904	771	160	1835
John Gilligan	893	704	144	1741
Contance A. "Connie" Johnson	1004	796	153	1953
Larry W. Johnson	1050	821	156	2027
Deb Martin	1013	857	155	2025
Louisa Neveau	844	700	136	1680
Donna Stratton	1057	854	168	2079
Paul Tyler	923	726	138	1787
Anne Valliere	1029	816	153	1998
Leo M. Valliere	1116	864	156	2136
Larry Wade	1012	797	153	1962
Lisa Walz	818	682	143	1643
Write-Ins	33	33	8	74
Spoiled/Blank	12817	9531	1692	24040
<b>Total:</b>	<b>29970</b>	<b>23355</b>	<b>4371</b>	<b>57696</b>

**CITY OF BARRE  
SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

The City of Barre proposes the following amendments to the Barre City Charter. Wording in brackets { } indicates deletion of existing language and underlining indicates the addition of new language.

**ARTICLE I**

Shall Chapter I. Sec. 104. Of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows:

**Chapter I. Sec. 104. General Corporate Powers.**

(b) The City may purchase real property within or without its corporate limits (by majority vote of the electorate). The City may acquire real property by gift, devise, lease, or condemnation and may sell, lease, mortgage, hold, manage and control such property as its interest may require. (Real property purchases and sales of less than \$5,000 and real property leases for a term of not more than one year may be authorized by the Council or School Board without approval of the voters.) (Amend. Of 9/13/88)

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	District 1	District 2	District 3	Totals
YES	990	758	134	1882
NO	821	662	137	1620
Spilled/Blank	187	137	21	345

**ARTICLE II**

Shall the Voters amend Chapter III, Article II, of the Barre City Charter as follows:

**Sec. 323. Local Option Taxes.**

(a) The City Council by majority vote may authorize local option taxes (sales, rooms and meals, and alcoholic beverages) for the purpose of affording the City an alternative method of raising municipal revenues.

	District 1	District 2	District 3	Totals
YES	409	328	46	783
NO	1488	1151	232	2871
Spilled/Blank	101	78	14	193

**ARTICLE III****Sec. 324. Tax Exempt Land Parcels.**

(a) The City Council by majority vote may authorize local property taxation of presently exempt land parcels (citation in Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 32, Section 3802 (2), (4), (5), (6), (15)) except parcels owned by the State, U.S. Government, and those subject to a payment in lieu of taxes agreement within the City at 150% of the fair market value of the land value the parcel represents.

	District 1	District 2	District 3	Totals
YES	876	595	117	1588
NO	919	796	149	1864
Spilled/Blank	203	166	26	395

**ARTICLE IV****Sec. 325. Motor Fuels Dispenser Fee.**

(a) The City Council by majority vote may authorize to set an annual fee per nozzle on all motor fuel dispensers (fuel pumps) within the City.

	District 1	District 2	District 3	Totals
YES	431	317	48	796
NO	1412	1123	221	2756
Spilled/Blank	155	117	23	295

**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

**ARTICLE I**

For the purpose of upgrading the woodchip floor delivery system at Barre City Elementary and Middle School, shall the Board of School Directors be authorized to expend up to \$ 120,000 from the established long-term maintenance fund? (The school district needs voter permission to use this money for this purpose in order to receive

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NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

state construction aid. The school district will receive 90% reimbursement from the state that will be returned to the long-term maintenance fund. Approval of this article will NOT increase your property tax.)

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>YES</b>	<u>1453</u>	<u>1137</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>2788</u>
<b>NO</b>	<u>434</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>856</u>
<b>Spilled/Blank</b>	<u>111</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>203</u>

**SPAULDING UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #41  
SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

**ARTICLE I**

For the purpose of long-term maintenance repairs at Spaulding High School, shall the Board of School Directors be authorized to expend \$ 75,000 of funds appropriated at the April 29, 2002 Special District Meeting? (These funds were originally appropriated for the wood chip plant construction but were not expended. Approval of this article will NOT increase your property tax.)

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>YES</b>	<u>1470</u>	<u>1140</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>2814</u>
<b>NO</b>	<u>420</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>838</u>
<b>Spilled/Blank</b>	<u>108</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>195</u>

**CITY OF BARRE  
(WARNING) AND RECORD FOR THE  
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION  
MARCH 2, 2004**

At the Annual School Meeting legally warned and holden in the several Wards of the City of Barre, Vermont, on the first Tuesday of March, 2004, various questions having been duly taken, sorted, counted and also tabulated, the following had the number of votes annexed to their names/items, respectively, for the several offices and items stated:

**For City School  
Commissioner-Three  
Year Term  
Ward I**

David Ayer	296			296
Alex McHenry	338			338
Write-ins	3			3
Blanks/spoiled	70			70
Totals	707	0	0	707

**Spaulding Union District  
Director-Three Year Term**

Carl R. Duff	567	430	397	1,394
Write-ins	13	11	6	30
Blanks/spoiled	127	92	69	288
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**For City School  
Commissioner-Three  
Year Term**

**Ward II**

Anne DeCoste		164		164
Anita Ristau		305		305
Write-ins		4		4
Blanks/spoiled		60		60
Totals	0	533	0	533

**For City School  
Commissioner-Three Year Term**

**Ward III**

Harry L. Daniels			398	398
Write-ins			13	13
Blanks/spoiled			61	61
Totals	0	0	472	472

Article I-Shall the School District pay the Chairman of the School Board the sum of \$1,500 per year for his/her services?

Yes	448	342	282	1,072
No	221	164	174	559
Blanks/spoiled	38	27	16	81
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article II-Shall the School District pay each School Commissioner the sum \$1,000 per year for his/her services?

Yes	439	337	283	1,059
No	230	166	170	566
Blanks/spoiled	38	30	19	87
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article III-Shall the voters of the City of Barre School District authorize the School Board to borrow money by insurance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?

Yes	412	335	265	1,012
No	256	167	189	612
Blanks/spoiled	39	31	18	88
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article IV-Shall the City of Barre School District vole the sum of \$7,997,674 to meet current expenses of the Barre City Elementary and Middle School for the fiscal year July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005?

Yes	402	306	265	973
No	273	199	195	667
Blanks/spoiled	32	28	12	72
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article V-Shall Barre City School District contribute \$25,000 to the fund to be used by the Board of School Commissioners to pay for long-term school building repairs?

Yes	482	367	303	1,152
No	183	132	148	463
Blanks/spoiled	42	34	21	97
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**CITY OF BARRE  
(WARNING) AND RECORD FOR THE  
SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL  
UNION DISTRICT #41 MEETING  
MARCH 4, 2003**

**Spaulding Union High School District #41**

Article I-Shall the Spaulding Union High School District #41 vote the sum of \$10,576,002 to meet the current expenses of the High School Union District (consisting of Spaulding High School and the Barre Technical Center) for the fiscal year July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005?

Yes	375	304	246	925
No	298	203	211	712
Blanks/spoiled	34	26	15	75
Totals	707	533	472	1712

Article II-Shall the Spaulding Union High School District #41 vote the sum of \$25,000 for a long-term maintenance fund?

Yes	476	355	287	1,118
No	194	153	165	512
Blanks/spoiled	37	25	20	82
Totals	707	533	472	1712

**CITY OF BARRE  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
ORDINANCE 2004- 1  
CITY OF BARRE, VT**

**ADOPTION OF SPEED CHANGE ON N. MAIN STREET**

The City Council of the City of Barre, Vermont on October 5, 2004 adopted the following changes to the speed limit on a portion of the Barre Montpelier Road leading into the City incorporated into Chapter 17, Section 17-37 (a) of the City Code of Ordinances.

Note: \_\_\_\_\_ Underline indicates additions  
          {         }       Brackets indicates deletions

**Chapter 17, Section 17-37 of the Barre City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:**

(a) No motor vehicle shall be operated or driven upon any street in the city at any time at a rate of speed greater than twenty-five (25) miles per hour, except that the maximum speed of said vehicles on the Montpelier Road between the Berlin Town line and Packard { Willey } Street shall be forty (40) miles per hour. Suitable signs stipulating these speed limits shall be conspicuously posted at the city lines and at the beginning of the said forty (40) mile per hour zone on the Montpelier Road that enters the city from the Town of Berlin. (Ord. No. 2001-2, 11-18-01)

{(e) Other provisions of this chapter, notwithstanding, it shall be lawful to operate a vehicle on the following portions of streets at a rate of speed not over forty (40) miles an hour.

(1) North Main Street from City of Barre-Berlin line to a point two hundred (200) feet westerly of its intersection with Richardson Road, with respect to vehicles proceeding in a general easterly direction, and from said line to Willey Street with respect to vehicles proceeding in a general westerly direction, towards the town of Berlin. (Ord. No. 1988-1, 2-16-88)}

**ADOPTION HISTORY**

Agenda item and first reading at regular City Council meeting held on September 21, 2004

Public Hearing was warned on October 5, 2004

Approved at regular City Council meeting on October 5, 2004 and entered in minutes of that meeting which were approved on October 12, 2004.

Posted in public places on October 13, 2004

Notice of adoption published in Times Argus newspaper on September 30, 2004

Effective Date - October 21, 2004.



**CITY OF BARRE  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE 2004 -2**

**CITY OF BARRE**

**ADOPTION OF JUNK MOTOR VEHICLE STANDARDS**

The City Council of the City of Barre, Vermont on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 2004, adopted the following changes to Code of Ordinances of the City of Barre, Vermont.

Note: { } brackets indicate deletions

\_\_\_ underline indicates new language

That Section 18-9 which reads as follows is hereby deleted in its entirety:

{Sec. 18-9. Junk Vehicles

(a) Junk motor vehicles coming within the meaning of the provisions of 24 V.S.A. 2241, shall govern when a junk motor vehicle's owner cannot be ascertained.

(b) When the owner of a motor vehicle refuses to remove a junk motor vehicle from locations off the traveled way of a highway, the manager shall notify the proper state officials empowered to act under the state statute. }

A new Chapter 21 regulating junk motor vehicles is hereby added and reads:

**Chapter 21 Regulations of Vehicles Permitted on Private Property**

**SECTION 21-1 AUTHORITY.** Under authority granted in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 123 and the City Council of the City of Barre hereby ordains the following civil ordinance regulating vehicles permitted on private property.

**SECTION 21-2 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to protect, preserve and promote the health, safety, and welfare of all citizens of the City of Barre through establishment of enforceable standards for storage of vehicles. The intent of this ordinance is to establish minimum standards for safe and reasonable storage of vehicles on private property.

**SECTION 21-3 DEFINITIONS.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following words shall have the meanings indicated:

- A. **Hazard-free condition:** A condition which shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
1. Vehicles stored with tires in place, or with adequate blocks under the vehicle frame.
  2. Vehicles stored without any leaking gas or without any other leaking automotive fluids.
  3. Vehicles without any exposed sharp metal or glass edges.
  4. Vehicles not used for storage of waste or refuse as defined elsewhere in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Barre.
- B. **Car Cover:** A cover manufactured for the sole purpose of covering a vehicle.
- C. **Vacant Parcel:** A parcel of land without any buildings on the parcel.
- D. **Vehicle:** A motor vehicle as defined by the Vermont State Motor Vehicle Code, V.S.A. 23.

**SECTION 21-4 REGULATIONS OF VEHICLES PERMITTED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.**

- A. All motor vehicles, as defined by the Vermont State Motor Vehicle Code, V.S.A. 23, on private property shall be registered and inspectable. A vehicle that is either unregistered or uninspectable, or a vehicle that is both unregistered and uninspectable, may be stored subject to the following conditions:
1. Motor vehicles of any condition may be stored inside an enclosed building.
  2. One vehicle that is either unregistered or uninspectable, or one vehicle that is both unregistered and uninspectable per property shall be permitted to be stored outside with the following conditions:
    - a. The property is not a vacant parcel.

- b. The vehicle is stored in a hazard-free condition.
  - c. The vehicle is covered with a car cover if the vehicle lacks any exterior body parts.
  - d. The property owner has granted written permission for the vehicle to be stored on the property.
3. One additional vehicle that is either unregistered or uninspectable, or one additional vehicle that is both unregistered and uninspectable per property shall be permitted to be stored temporarily outside with the following conditions:
  - a. The property is not a vacant parcel.
  - b. The vehicle is stored in a hazard-free condition.
  - c. The vehicle is covered with a car cover if the vehicle lacks any exterior body parts.
  - d. The property owner has granted written permission for the vehicle to be stored on the property.
  - e. The vehicle is stored for not more than three months.
  - f. A three-month vehicle storage permit is obtained from the City of Barre for the additional vehicle. No more than two three-month vehicle storage permits may be obtained during any twelve (12) month period for any one property.
4. Within a junkyard, as defined by the Barre City Zoning Ordinance, motor vehicles are permitted to be stored in accordance with the City of Barre and State of Vermont junk yard regulations and in accordance with any conditions made part of the approval by the City and/or State.
5. Unregistered and/or uninspectable vehicles located on the property of a vehicle repair facility, vehicle maintenance facility, auto body shop, auto detail shop, gasoline sales/automotive repair or a vehicle sales/service, as such uses are defined by the Barre City Zoning Ordinance, are permitted to be stored for not more than ninety (90) days.
6. One vehicle that is either unregistered or uninspectable, or one vehicle that is both unregistered or uninspectable, is permitted to be sold on a vacant parcel when:

- a. The vehicle is not for sale for more than six months.
  - b. The property owner has granted written permission for the vehicle to be stored and sold on the vacant parcel.
  - c. The vehicle is stored in a hazard-free condition.
  - d. No more than two vehicles per year are sold on the vacant lot.
7. Storage trailers, as defined by the Vermont Motor Vehicle Code, V.S.A. 23, are permitted when they are an accessory use to a commercial business located in the Commercial, Commercial/Industrial or Industrial zones as delineated by the Barre City Zoning Ordinance.

#### **SECTION 21-5 FEES.**

- A. The fee for storage permits shall be established by resolution of City Council.

**SECTION 21-6 PENALTIES.** A violation of this ordinance shall be a civil matter and subject to penalties in accordance with the provisions of Title 24, V.S.A., Sec. 1974a and 1977.

1. For the purpose of this ordinance, violators of this ordinance shall be considered the last known owner of vehicle. The property owner shall be considered the violator if the property owner does not grant permission for the enforcement officer to enter onto a property for the sole purpose of inspecting and determining ownership of a possible illegally stored vehicle.
2. When a vehicle is illegally stored the enforcement officer shall issue a written "Notice of Violation" to any person believed to be in violation of any provision of these regulations and shall provide seven days for removal of the illegally stored vehicle. No fines or penalties shall be levied if the violation is corrected during this seven day period. The written warning may be hand delivered or mailed by US First Class Mail to the last known registered owner of said vehicle or in the case of refusal to allow inspection to the listed owner of the property.

3. After the expiration of the above seven day notice period to remove an illegally stored vehicle, violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of \$50.00 per day not to exceed \$250.00, with a waiver fee of \$25.00 per day not to exceed \$125.00. If, after twelve days from the date of the notice of violation, the violation remains, the City of Barre or its designee, shall undertake removal of the vehicle with cost of removal and storage to be levied as an additional fine against the violator.
4. When an owner does not grant permission for the enforcement officer to enter onto a property in order to determine vehicle ownership, the enforcement officer shall issue a written "Notice of Violation", as outlined in part 2 of this section, to the owner and shall provide seven days for the owner to grant permission to the enforcement officer to enter onto said property. No fines or penalties shall be levied if permission is granted to enter onto the property during this seven day period.
5. After the expiration of the above seven day notice period to grant permission to the enforcement officer to enter onto a property in order to determine vehicle ownership, violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of \$50.00 per day, with a waiver fee of \$25.00 per day, not to expire until the owner grants permission for the enforcement officer to enter onto said property.

**SECTION 21-7 ENFORCEMENT.** The City Manager, Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer, or any certified Vermont Law Enforcement officer shall be the designated enforcement officers of this ordinance. They shall issue complaints and may be appearing officers at any hearing.

**SECTION 21-8 SEVERABILITY.** If any section of this ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

**SECTION 21-9 EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after its adoption by the Barre City Council and publication in the Times Argus. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. 1973, the taking effect of this ordinance shall be governed by that statute.

**ADOPTION HISTORY**

Agenda item and first reading at regular City Council meeting held on October 5, 2004

Public Hearing was warned on October 26, 2004

Approved at regular City Council meeting on October 26, 2004 and entered in minutes of that meeting which were approved on November 1, 2004...

Posted in public places on October 27, 2004

Notice of adoption published in Times Argus newspaper on November 1, 2004 with a notice of the right to petition.

Effective Date — November 21, 2004

**ALDRICH PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Main Library, 6 Washington Street, Barre - 476-7550**  
**East Barre Branch, 135 Mill Street, East Barre - 476-5118**  
**[www.aldrich.lib.vt.us](http://www.aldrich.lib.vt.us)**

**July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004**

Like most non-profit organizations, the Aldrich Public Library is facing difficult financial times. The demand for services has increased tremendously since the construction of the addition to the main library building in 2000, yet annual support for the library has not increased proportionately.

**Rising Costs.** During the past four years, costs have risen in nearly every area of library operations: electricity costs three times what it did, heat is twice as expensive, worker's comp insurance and janitorial service are five times more, and health insurance expense has doubled. Meanwhile salaries are level-funded and are far from competitive, and we are doing without a student page.

**Annual Deficit.** Consequently, Aldrich Library has experienced an annual shortfall of \$25,000 - \$30,000 in each of the past three years. In light of this, the library has tightened its belt and taken steps to conserve energy and minimize expenses to avoid further deficits, but it's still tough to make ends meet.

**Tax Support.** While the average Vermont library receives \$18.42 per capita in tax support each year, Aldrich Library receives just \$7.86. The board of trustees is asking the residents of Barre City and Barre Town to increase the level of annual tax support for the library.

**How to Help.** Other ways citizens can help the library include: contributing to the annual fund drive; attending the library's fundraising events such as the book sale in July, the Chinese banquet/auction in

February, and the spring gala in April; joining the Friends of the Library; serving on the Board of Trustees; designating the library as recipient of memorial and other gifts; sponsoring a favorite author by buying copies of his/her books; volunteering to help with mailings and special events; and making a bequest to the library.

**Comings & Goings.** We offer our sincere thanks to retiring trustees Melissa Blouin, Marion Fish, and William Hedberg, and offer a warm welcome to three new trustees: Marilyn Blake, Ann Hutchins, and Jeffrey Maher.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Lane, *Library Director*





**BARRE AREA SENIOR CENTER****135 North Main Street****Barre, Vermont****(802) 479-9512**

Our membership over the past year has grown to nearly 200 and now includes outside areas such as Orange, Williamstown, Barre Town, Plainfield, East Montpelier, Berlin and Montpelier. We have officially changed the name from Barre Senior Citizens Club, Inc. to Barre Area Senior Center, and are registered as such with the State of Vermont.

During the past year, thanks to many volunteers, members and guests have enjoyed a variety of dinners ranging from a picnic to Spanish paella. Area musicians and cooks have generously donated their talent and time for our monthly socials. Bus trips have been taken to many interesting places including New Hampshire and Canada. We have enjoyed receiving senior discounts from Sean and Nora's and Lost Nation Theater.

We continue to offer the Strong Living Exercise Program, Yoga, Foot Care Clinic, income tax preparation, the driver safety program with AARP, and new this year, a computer class. Participation in all these areas has greatly increased over the past year.

We sponsored numerous activities to raise money for our main renovation of the bathrooms, making them handicapped-accessible. A future project will be the installation of a new roof.

The Barre Area Senior Center is open daily and we welcome everyone in the area to join us for coffee and to meet old friends and make new ones. We thank the City of Barre and the Barre Recreation Department for their continuing support.

**JOHN M KNIGHT***President***Officers***Yolande Gould, Vice President**Angie Chioldi, Secretary**Jackie Isabelle, Treasurer***Trustees**

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Judy Reiss



## BARRE HOUSING AUTHORITY

### ***BHA Mission:***

*The Barre Housing Authority will provide the highest quality housing, employment, and service opportunities in Vermont with an equal opportunity for all.*

The Commissioners and staff of the Barre Housing Authority (BHA) are pleased to report activities for our fiscal year April 1, 2003 – March 31, 2004. We are particularly proud to announce that BHA has been designated a high performing Housing Authority by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the third year in a row. This coveted designation, along with the expressed satisfaction of the individuals and families living in BHA units, best exemplifies the hard work and professional dedication that our Commission, staff, partners, and volunteers have in accomplishing BHA's Mission.

BHA has had a very special year in that we celebrated the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of bringing quality housing to the citizens of Barre. From our humble beginnings in 1964, we have grown into a quality-housing provider operating seven developments with 369 units. In addition, we subsidize over 100 units of private rental housing through our Section 8 Program and serve over 45,000 meals to deserving individuals throughout Washington County through the Galley meals Program.

The culmination of our 40-year celebration took the form of an Open House at our Central Offices at 4 Humbert Street. We thank the many public and private organizations and individuals that help us to bring the best in housing and services to the citizens of Barre. In addition, I would be remiss in not thanking our residents, who inspire every day to create an even better Housing Authority.

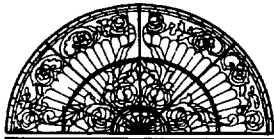
BHA's five member Board of Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor of Barre for five year terms and meet at the regularly scheduled time of 4:30PM on the second Tuesday of every month at the BHA Offices. Marie Kelley is our Chairperson and Paul Hennessey, Patricia Corrigan, and Carol Tremblay have been longstanding and dedicated Commissioners. In addition, we are pleased to have Fran Rancourt as our newest Mayoral appointment to the Board. The Liaison for the City Council is Paul DeCoste.

Respectfully Submitted,

**MARIE KELLEY**

*Chairperson*

Barre Housing Authority Board of Commissioners



**Barre Opera House**

## BARRE OPERA HOUSE

Upon its completion in 1899, the Barre Opera House was considered the finest theater in the state. Appearances by John Philip Sousa, Helen Keller, socialist Eugene V. Debs, anarchist Emma Goldman, Tex Ritter, and Tom Mix *and his horse* are among the many historic legends that have graced its stage.

Through the 1930's and 40's the Opera House functioned primarily as a movie theater with occasional breaks in the schedule for variety shows, boxing and wrestling matches. However, with the addition of more modern movie theaters in town, the Barre Opera House doors closed in January, 1944. Windows broke and pigeons took up residence in the abandoned space. For almost 40 years the Opera House stood neglected.

However, a growing national interest in historic preservation inspired a small but dedicated group of local citizens to save the theater. Their efforts lead to the building being placed on the National Register of Historic Sites in 1973 and culminated in the re-opening of the Opera House in October of 1982. After almost 40 years of silence, the walls once again rang with the sounds of music, laughter and applause.

The next 18 years saw continuing improvements; heat and comfortable theater seats, velour stage curtains, a Steinway concert grand piano. An elevator and the addition of a new entrance in 1993, made the Opera House physically accessible, and a state-of-the-art sound system and infra-red hearing system for the hearing impaired were installed in 1996, followed by an acoustically pure heating/ventilation/air-conditioning system in 1998, and the restoration of our beautiful fir floors in 2001. Summer 2003, we began a three-year project geared at replacing our theatrical lighting system, with Phase II on the schedule for completion in 2005. Still to come are the installation of laminated interior storm windows to help reduce outside noise and improve heating and cooling efficiency, returning the side opera boxes to their former glory with brass railings and velour café curtains, and reupholstering the seating in rich burgundy to complete the color scheme throughout the theater.

More than 24,000 people visit the Barre Opera House annually. It serves a broad range of ages, hosting student matinees and providing space for local musicians, dancers and actors to perform their own productions. And, as the Opera House is accessible to those with physical and hearing disabilities, it serves a large community of people with special needs. This is truly central Vermont's premier performing arts center.

For more information about membership, volunteering, tours, or the schedule of upcoming events, please contact the Barre Opera House: P.O. Box 583, Barre, VT 05641, (802)476-8188 or on the Internet - [staff@barreoperahouse.org](mailto:staff@barreoperahouse.org).

**Board of Trustees**

(as of November, 2004)

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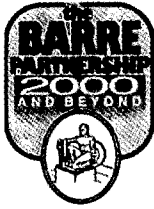
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**BARRE PARTNERSHIP**  
**P.O. BOX 1032**  
**BARRE, VT 05641**  
**476-0267 • [barpart@barrecity.org](mailto:barpart@barrecity.org)**

**Report of services**  
**July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004**

The Barre Partnership coordinates activities that maintain and improve civic pride and the economic, social, and cultural quality of life in the city's downtown area by providing opportunities for economic development and employment, strengthening the tax base, and increasing private and municipal investments.

In the past 12 months the Barre Partnership:

- Along with downtown merchants, held festivities for the winter holiday that included a parade, the traditional holiday lighting of Main Street, a visit from Santa, old-fashioned wagon rides through town, and a festive window-decorating contest.
- Launched and continues to support a market analysis study to help us understand the market conditions affecting Barre's downtown. This work includes holding public forums where people who care about Barre can share their opinions of how they would like to see Barre grow and how they can help the Barre Partnership accomplish their goals. The Barre Partnership secured grants and donations to fund hiring a consultant to conduct the study and develop the plan. With this knowledge the Barre Partnership intends to develop a marketing strategy that targets the most promising opportunities to pursue toward Barre achieving its full potential as a local and regional asset.
- Has resumed holding ribbon-cutting ceremonies to publicize and welcome new businesses. The Barre Partnership has held eight ribbon-cutting ceremonies for business on or near Main Street.
- Held the second annual Green Mountain Motorheads classic car show, which attracted more than one thousand people of all ages to Main Street to view a variety of cars from all eras. This event was sponsored in part by the Regional Marketing Organization.
- Has researched cost estimates for the City Hall park improvements, including structural, sculptural, landscape, sidewalk, furniture, electrical, and water feature. In partnership with the city, the Barre Partnership has applied for a grant to fund these improvements.
- Held their Annual Meeting in the spring in City Hall Park that included live music and a sampling of food from local restaurants. The event was well attended and they attracted some enthusiastic volunteers who were interested in becoming more involved with the Barre Partnership.

- Continues to contract for the sidewalks to be swept and kept clean.
- Conceived of and coordinated hanging flower pots on the unused parking meters on Main Street. Main Street vendors sponsored many of the flower pots.
- Served as a liaison to the Barre Homecoming Committee.
- Sponsored the Employee Appreciation Dinner, held at Sean and Nora's restaurant, in November. More than 140 people attended. Started by the Barre Merchants Bureau and growing in popularity, this is an event for employers to celebrate and thank their loyal workers before the big shopping season begins.

The Partnership has four committees whose common goal is to work for the betterment of Barre: Economic restructuring, promotions, design, and organization.

The Partnership's plans for the upcoming year include:

- Working with the Community National Bank to create a park next to their newly constructed bank building on North Main Street.
- Developing a plan to implement the strategies outlined in the market study report, due to be released in early January.
- Expanding the Green Mountain Motorheads Car Show to start on Friday with a car parade and live music, and continue on Saturday with the cars displayed on Main Street.
- Considering ideas for utilizing vacant store fronts to publicize events, display art work, or to make them more visually appealing in some way.

The Partnership has many activities and opportunities to help revitalize downtown Barre and they encourage individuals and businesses to get involved. Please contact the Partnership at 476-0267, to learn more or become involved.

#### The Barre Partnership Board of Directors

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## **BATTERED WOMEN'S SERVICES AND SHELTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Fiscal year 2004 has been a year of growth and change for BWSS. Our shelter addition and renovation project is nearly complete and we will soon be able to shelter more families as well as being completely handicapped accessible. Last year, staff and volunteers responded to 3,416 hot line calls, an increase of calls by 10% from the previous year. Shelter services were provided to 19 women and 19 children for a total of 1,029 person nights. Our schools program, "*Violence-Free Relationships Project*" reached a total of 978 students in Washington County, over 300 more students than the previous year. BWSS provided community presentations to 127 individuals. Advocates provided support for 169 plaintiffs during Final Relief from Abuse Hearings. Attendance at Court Education Programs was 132. A total of 1,529 people received direct services from our staff and volunteers. Support groups allowed 27 women to come together on a weekly basis to process feelings and receive peer support. Our 25 dedicated volunteers contributed over 10,000 hours to the work of BWSS.

Our services include:

- **SHELTER:** women and their children fleeing domestic abuse are offered respite from violence in a safe home-like environment. Families are provided information about domestic violence and community resources, referrals and advocacy to social services and the courts.
- **SHELTER YOUTH PROGRAM:** Available to children staying in Shelter.
- **24-HOUR TOLL FREE HOT LINE (1-877-543-9498):** Staff and trained volunteers maintain a 24-hour hotline to offer support, intervention, information and referrals for victims of domestic violence.
- **COURT EDUCATION PROGRAM:** educating plaintiffs about the dynamics of domestic abuse and the process followed at the Final Abuse Hearing, as well as providing an advocate to be present at the hearings.
- **EMERGENCY, CIVIL and CRIMINAL COURT ADVOCACY:** Accessed information and referrals through the Hotline.
- **SUPPORT GROUPS:** 8-10 week programs with provided childcare.
- **VIOLENCE-FREE RELATIONSHIP PROGRAM:** offered to middle and high school students in Washington County.
- **NOBODY LIKE ME! :** Arts-based violence prevention and intervention group for young children.
- **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:** are offered to civic organizations and businesses upon request
- **INFORMATION AND REFERRAL:** services available through our 24-Hour Hotline.

**CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC  
EDUCATION IN BARRE***~~Local Partnerships in Learning~~*

Barre adults and youth who are out of school seeking help with learning basic reading, writing, math and English as another language may receive that help through a free program of instruction provided by Central Vermont Adult Basic Education. Students enrolled in the program also have the opportunity to study for their high school equivalency exam (GED) or the adult diploma program.

Students and teachers meet in classes, one-to-one, and/or small group sessions to complete an individual learning program which suits the requirements of each adult student. This "school without walls" ties together basic literacy and math skills with practical interest areas. Helping children with homework, budgeting, filling out forms and applications, beginning computer skills, studying for a driver's permit or a Commercial Driving License, reading work related texts or writing reports are just a few of the many areas for which adults seek help.

One Hundred Sixty-Three adults and out-of-school youth from Barre were enrolled in CVABE's free program last year. Thirty hard-working volunteers from the community worked with the non-profit organization to help make instruction accessible to all Barre City residents.

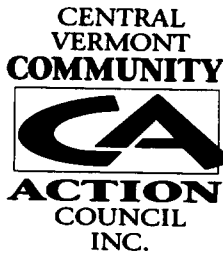
For more information about Central Vermont Adult Basic Education and the education services it has provided the City of Barre for forty years, please contact:

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education  
Barre Learning Center  
46 Washington St.—Suite 100  
Barre, Vermont 05641  
(802) 476-4588

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The Depot Youth Education Center  
46 Washington St.—Suite 200  
Barre, Vermont 05641  
(802) 476-6086





**Central Vermont Community Action Council  
(CVCAC)  
Fall 2004**

Since 1965, the Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc. has served low-income residents of Lamoille, Orange, and Washington Counties and nine communities in Windsor, Addison, and Rutland Counties. CVCAC's programs and services are designed to help families work toward better lives and to improve the overall quality of life in their communities. This year, CVCAC worked with 9,123 individuals in 4,150 households through Head Start/Early Head Start, our Child Care Food Program, Community Economic Development programs, Family/Community Support Services, Weatherization assistance, Crisis Fuel resources, and Community Action Motors.

In our most recently completed program year, Central Vermont Community Action helped 2,310 individuals in 1,071 Barre City families with emergency assistance and comprehensive program services designed to teach important skills and help people access the resources they need to build better futures.

Here are some CVCAC program statistics for Barre City:

- 664 households (including 1,446 family members) received emergency assistance with food, shelter, Crisis Fuel, and other basic needs. An additional 55 people receive assistance through Wellness on Wheels, our mobile outreach project.
- 96 households participated in Head Start and Early Head Start programs that supported 236 family members.
- 23 households were issued a donated vehicle for free benefiting 51 family members.
- 19 daycare providers participated in our Child Care Food Program to provide nutritious meals to the 152 children in their care.
- 47 people received training and technical assistance from our Micro Business Development program and 30 women participated in programs of the Vermont Women's Business Center to start or expand small businesses.
- 3 local businesses accessed \$19,000 in financing from Community Capital of Central Vermont, a loan fund administered by CVCAC.

- 134 households, representing 264 family members benefited from lower utility bills and increased comfort through the free assistance provided by our Weatherization Program.

**Our 2005 Funding Request:** Community Action uses a formula for our funding requests to all towns based on population, number of residents served, and dollars spent in each community. Based on that formula, we are requesting \$3,000 from the citizens of Barre City to support Community Action. Your support is critical to our work, and the Board and staff of Community Action are most grateful for your help.

**Central Vermont Community Action Council is supported in part  
by the towns we serve!**



**CENTRAL VERMONT  
COUNCIL ON AGING  
OCTOBER 1, 2003 –  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2004**

The Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) is a private, nonprofit organization that assists elders to remain independent as long as possible in their own homes and communities. The Council uses federal, state, and local funds to provide a variety of programs and services for elders, either directly or under contract with local groups and organizations.

CVCOA requests funding from the communities it serves in order to support its case management program. Case managers are trained to work with elders in their own homes to assess needs and develop individualized care plans. By connecting elders with public benefits programs and other community and state resources, case managers aid elders in making life choices. The case managers for Barre City are Jassan Salganik (476-2662) and Chris Shaw (476-2661). They welcome questions and requests for assistance.

Other services provided directly or under contract are: information and assistance; community and home delivered meals; food stamp outreach; rides to doctors, grocery stores, and a variety of essential destinations; legal services; health insurance counseling; home sharing; companionship; assistance with household tasks; nutrition education; caregiver support services and grants; successful aging initiatives; support for senior center activities; mental health services; and the *Silver Voice* newsletter. The Council involves a number of community volunteers by hosting programs such as Neighbor to Neighbor AmeriCorps, Senior Companion, Home Share, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

**More information on all Council initiatives can be obtained by calling the toll-free Senior Help Line: 1-800-642-5119. Please don't hesitate to call for more information or assistance.**

The Central Vermont Council on Aging recognizes and appreciates the valuable support for case management for central Vermont elders provided by the city of Barre.



## CENTRAL VERMONT CRIME STOPPERS

Central Vermont Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization established to solely support the community and Law Enforcement agencies by providing an anonymous tip line for use by all citizens so they may report crime anonymously.

Citizens can call the tip line with information they have pertaining to a crime. The information is then disseminated to the appropriate Law Enforcement agency to assist in solving that crime.

**TIPLINE: 1-800-529-9998**

An individual calling the tip line is never asked for information concerning their identity. The tip line is a non-traceable, non-recordable phone line. When a call comes in, a code is given to the caller (tipster) so they may call back to give additional information concerning the crime, check the status of the tip information and to see if an arrest has been made based on the information they gave.

If an arrest was made based on the tip information, then the board of directors of Crime Stoppers sets a reward based on the seriousness of the crime and the amount of aid the information was to the police.

**[www.centralvermontcrimestoppers.org](http://www.centralvermontcrimestoppers.org)**

A program called ALERT provides information to local businesses and gathering places concerning crimes in their area. This is a flyer that is produced by Crime Stoppers with specific details concerning a crime. The flyers are posted at local business and around the area asking citizens to call the police or Crime Stoppers with information. Crime Stoppers also submits press releases to local newspapers, radio stations and television stations.

Central Vermont Crime Stoppers is a member of Crime Stoppers International organization (C.S.I.). The Crime Stopper program originated in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1978 and currently operates in 48 countries. The board of directors for Central Vermont Crime Stoppers is made up of

citizens in good standing in the community who have volunteered their time to ensure the program is successful.

**COUNTIES SERVED:** Washington County, Lamoille County and 3 towns in Orange County

The success of the program depends on the support of community businesses and citizens. Central Vermont Crime Stoppers does not receive funds through State or Federal sources.

We appreciate the support given to Central Vermont Crime Stoppers by the residents of Barre and look forward to continuing the partnership to create a safer community.



## CENTRAL VERMONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The economy in Vermont and nationally has seen marked improvement over the past year. Central Vermont has benefited from this trend although we have seen some layoffs and plant closings during this time. There are 950 more people working in Central Vermont than there were a year ago according to Department of Employment and Training statistics. Our unemployment rate is consistently below the State and National averages. Underemployment is still a concern, however.

Housing continues to be an issue in Central Vermont. There is more demand for housing than there are units available and employers report that new employees are having difficulty finding appropriate housing. Most new construction is being done for the owner and there is little being built for the market. Cost and affordability at all levels are a concern. As interest rates are beginning to rise this may slow the housing demand somewhat. CVEDC will continue to work on this issue.

CVEDC approved four SBA 504 loans in the past year, providing those businesses with long term, fixed rate financing that allowed them to expand.

We continue to work with the Barre Area Development Corp on a variety of projects and recently concluded filling the incubator building. Cabot Cheese has leased the entire building for dry storage.

Workforce development is still at the forefront of CVEDC's efforts and we are working closely with area businesses and the CV Workforce Investment Board on this issue. A new coordinator for the Workforce Investment Board has recently been hired.

The Small Business Development Center Specialist that works out of the CVEDC office continues to provide Barre City residents with information about starting a new business or in the case of an existing business, marketing, financing or other information to assist their business. A number of Barre City residents took advantage of this free service last year. John Brennan is the new SBDC Advisor working out of the CVEDC office.

Our web site continues to grow and we encourage you to visit the site at [www.central-vt.com/cvedc](http://www.central-vt.com/cvedc). A commercial/industrial sites data base has been added and lists the Wilson Industrial Park.

We appreciate the support given to CVEDC by the City of Barre over the years and look forward to continuing our successful relationship with the City in the future.



Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice, Inc.  
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802-224-2235  
www.cvhhh.org

Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice (CVHHH) is a 93-year-old not-for-profit Visiting Nurse Association governed by a local voluntary Board of Directors. Serving the residents of 23 Central Vermont towns in the comfort and privacy of their own homes, CVHHH is committed to providing comprehensive, high-quality home health and hospice care to all Central Vermonters, regardless of their illness, diagnosis, geographic remoteness, or ability to pay. The agency also promotes the general welfare of local community members with long term care and health promotion activities including flu and pneumonia vaccinations, health screenings, foot care clinics and caregiver support. In addition to direct patient care, our hospice program offers comprehensive bereavement services and volunteer training.

**Twelve Month Report of CVHHH Services to the City of Barre  
September 2003 – August 2004**

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Home Health Care</b>             | <b># of Visits</b> |
| Skilled and High-Technology Nursing | 7,765              |
| Home Health Aide Service            | 11,181             |
| Physical Therapy                    | 2,112              |
| Occupational Therapy                | 390                |
| Speech Therapy                      | 25                 |
| Medical Social Service              | 482                |
| <b>Hospice Care</b>                 |                    |
| Nursing                             | 662                |
| Aide Service                        | 630                |
| Therapy                             | 25                 |
| Bereavement                         | 8                  |
| <b>Long Term Care</b>               |                    |
| Care Management                     | 128                |
| Aide and Attendant Care             | 5,730              |
| Homemaker                           | 3,020              |
| <b>Maternal Child Health Care</b>   | 975                |
| <b>TOTAL VISITS</b>                 | <b>33,133</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL PATIENTS</b>               | <b>730</b>         |

Town funding will help ensure CVHHH can continue these services in Barre through 2005 and beyond.

For more information, contact Eileen Blake, RN, MHSA, CVHHH President and CEO, or Barbara Butler, Community Relations Director, at 223-1878.



## CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) is a consortium of 23 towns and cities in Washington County and western Orange County. CVRPC provides a forum in which municipalities work together to address regional issues and opportunities. It also offers its member communities professional assistance with local planning efforts through its experienced and knowledgeable staff, including amendments to Chapter 117, Vermont's Planning and Development law, and how to implement those amendments that affect the Town's bylaws.

This past year, the Commission focused on implementing goals contained in the Regional Plan and the Regional Transportation Plan. The Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee continued to evaluate the regional inter-modal transportation needs and problems and make recommendations to the State Transportation Agency on projects that should be included in the Agency's five year capital program. The Commission was also involved in the review of regionally significant Act 250 development projects and the local designation of village and growth centers. The Commission continues to work on the development of regional and local pre-disaster mitigation plans, population and housing growth projections, and review and approval of town plans as required by statute. CVRPC also began its Brownfields assessment program and had initial assessments done on two sites in the Region. The Commission is looking for additional commercial/industrial sites that may be contaminated and would qualify for a brownfields assessment. In conjunction with the Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation and the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce, CVRPC updated the bike route maps and added several new routes. These maps are available by request at [cvrpc@cvregion.com](mailto:cvrpc@cvregion.com).

CVRPC assisted the City with various planning issues, and completed a study of the fluvial geomorphology of the Stevens Branch. This study will assist in determining how changes in the Stevens Branch will impact the City and what measures can be taken to mitigate these impacts.

CVRPC continues to work with local officials to provide GIS mapping, including planning maps for a variety of projects and municipal plans, bicycle and pedestrian path suitability maps, and maps of the region's natural resources. CVRPC provides model bylaws, such as the telecommunication facilities bylaws that can be used as a stand-alone ordinance or as an amendment to existing zoning bylaws. CVRPC continues to maintain its web-based planning tools that guide officials in updating town plans and zoning ordinances and finding additional resources related to planning. Additional information on the Commission can be found at [www.centralvtplanning.org](http://www.centralvtplanning.org).

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another year of serving our member communities and the Central Vermont Region.

SUSAN M. SINCLAIR, *Executive Director*  
RICHARD BAKER, *Commissioner*





## CENTRAL VERMONT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District provides **leadership, education, and services** for residents and businesses in reducing and managing their solid waste in order to protect public health and the environment to the greatest extent feasible.

From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004, the District worked to create a Five Year Workplan to help the region reach toward the goal of Zero Waste that we set out in our new Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) in FY 2003.

The Five Year Workplan is a practical, working guide, identifying the activities and programs the District will undertake in the first five years of our SWIP to set a foundation from which the Zero Waste goal can be achieved. The outcome of our Workplan will be a region-wide infrastructure of facilities and services through which municipalities, residents and businesses can drastically eliminate waste.

With Zero Waste, the goal is to no longer produce “trash” which needs to be disposed of, but to instead be able to utilize it as resources for the production of something new and needed. For example, the District’s Commercial Composting Project that got underway in April 2004 diverted 6.8 tons of food “waste” from April through June to a local composting company for use as chicken feed and the production of compost for area farmers. The number of participants began with four and grew to seven by the end of June 2004; 12 businesses and schools are currently participating.

We are excited about the possibilities this new plan provides, and we encourage you to review our new Solid Waste Implementation Plan and accompanying Five Year Plan documents for yourself. Please contact the District for copies—802-229-9383 or [comments@cvswmd.com](mailto:comments@cvswmd.com).

Here are some of the highlights of the District’s FY 2004 program work.

- **Illegal Dumping Prevention**—Five new sites were cleaned and adopted in the District in FY 2004, including the Canales Woods site in Barre City. Between newly adopted sites and the monitoring of existing sites throughout the District, 86 volunteers logged 123 volunteer hours in FY 2004.
- **Illegal Burning Prevention**—Educational program to explain the dangers of burning for human and environmental health. Materials were distributed throughout member communities via point-of-pur-

chase displays, radio and print ads, and fliers.

- **Recycling**—During FY 2004, more than 820 tons of recyclables were collected at District run and/or underwritten recycling depots, in addition to 66 tons of tires; 351 tons of metal; 7,330 yards of cardboard; 254 appliance freon units; 50 lbs. of PCBs; 2,980 gallons of oil; and 1,047 tons of trash.
- **Hazardous Waste**—543 households (151 *more* households than the previous year) and 21 businesses utilized the nine collections held May through October 2004. Educational materials were distributed at the events to help residents reduce the quantity of hazardous materials used, and to reduce disposal fees and quantities.
- **Non-Toxics Education**—Seven elementary schools throughout the District took part in the 10-week DeTox Family Program for parents and school staff. The program aims to help reduce the use of toxic products in the home and in schools. Four schools have also taken the *DeTox Pledge* to reduce the use of toxic cleaning products in their schools. Education staff also developed a video version of our DeTox workshop titled, *Look What's Lurking Under Your Sink!* Copies will be sent to all schools that have participated in the program and it will be used in place of the workshop in schools where evening programs are not well attended.
- **Speakers Bureau**—Led 24 Art & the 3Rs Workshops, ranging from our own Cabin Fever Craft Day in January to programs via community centers, alternative education programs, after-school programs throughout the District, the Barre Recreation Department, and daycare centers.
- **Reuse**—The Clothing Drop 'N Swap diverts tons of clothing from disposal; about 1,000 District residents take part in each event. The District held two events in FY 2004, one in September and one in May.
- **Junk Car Assistance**—The District offers assistance with the free removal of junk cars from member towns. The data for FY 2004 shows we helped 58 residents recycle 68 vehicles.
- **Green Up Day Grants**—19 member communities requested and received reimbursement for Green Up Day activities in FY 2004. The average reimbursement per town was \$279.97.
- **Electronics Collections**—The District collected 47,395 pounds (23.6 tons) of electronics for recycling through an on-going collection at the Barre Town Recycling Depot and three special collections held in conjunction with satellite household hazardous waste collections.



**JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2004**

Community Capital, formerly known as Central Vermont Revolving Loan Fund (CVRLF), provides flexible and creative financing that seeds business start-ups and fuels expansion, enabling business owners to build the sales, credit, and experience needed to secure full bank financing in the future. A community-based nonprofit lender, Community Capital serves qualified micro and small businesses, particularly those that are owned by or offer employment opportunities to low-to-moderate income individuals. Businesses must be located in our service area defined as Washington County and three towns in Orange County: Orange, Washington and Williamstown.

***Small Business Financing:*** Three flexible commercial financing options are available to match the short-term, seasonal, and long-term borrowing needs of businesses: Steps to Success Microcredit Loan up to \$5,000, a Revolving Line of Credit up to \$25,000, and a Traditional Amortizing Business Loan up to \$50,000.

***Business Management Assistance:*** In addition to offering financing, Community Capital also offers successful loan borrowers Business Management Assistance which includes access to local consultants for hands-on business management and industry assistance. We also offer a Business Education Grant program which helps borrowers cover the cost of attending business workshops and trade shows to advance business success.

During the fiscal year, 91 individuals inquired with Community Capital about financing opportunities. Nineteen (19) submitted applications. A total of seventeen (17) loans were disbursed during the period to ten (10) businesses totaling \$164,000, which in turn leveraged \$280,450 in other private and government funds. Four (4) of the businesses served were startups. Businesses supported this year were located in Washington (1), Barre City (3), Barre Town (2), Montpelier (2), Waterbury (1), East Montpelier (1).

In 2004, Community Capital collaborated with Barre City and Barre Town to establish a special loan fund for businesses located in these two municipalities. Funding is made available by repayments on a loan made by Barre City and Barre Town in 1995 to a local business, the original source of funding for which was the Vermont Community Development Program. Three of the loans totaling \$25,000 that Community Capital made in 2004 were made out of this funding source.

Community Capital's loans and operations are funded by loan repayments, application fees, donations from private individuals, corporations, banks, as well as state and federal grants. Public grant sources include the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP), the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the US Department of Agriculture.

Community Capital is operated in partnership with the Central Vermont Community Action. Community Capital is managed by Emily Kaminsky, Fund Manager. Interested parties are encouraged to call Chris Rottler, Loan Officer, at 479-1053 to request a loan application and further information.



**FAMILY CENTER OF  
WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
**....serving families in  
BARRE CITY**

The Family Center of Washington County fosters the positive growth and development of young children and their families. The Family Center's array of services includes: infant & toddler, preschool and after school child care programs, playgroups for children from birth to five, parent education and outreach activities – for mothers and fathers – training for child care providers, assistance to parents in finding and paying for child care, and planning and coordinating the Central Vermont Early Childhood Council's region-wide programs for parents as first teachers of their children.

Among the 874 residents of Barre City who benefited from the Family Center's programs and services from July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004 were:

- **28 children and 24 adults who participated in Playgroups** at various community locations. Playgroups are free, open to all families with children birth to five and have no eligibility requirements. Children play with others in a safe, stimulating and nurturing environment. Parents talk to other parents, draw upon each other for support, learn new skills from Playgroup Facilitators and get information about community resources.
- **174** who consulted our **Child Care and other Resource & Referral services** to receive assistance in finding suitable child care to meet their needs, answer questions related to child care and child development and receive information about other community resources available for them.
- **165 families** who received assistance paying for child care.
- **112 child care providers** who consulted our **Provider Support services**, and received monthly newsletters and training on a wide variety of topics through home visits, conferences and workshops.
- **87 children and adults** who participated in our **community events**.
- **28 community members and child care professionals** who planned local and regional **Early Childhood Council activities**.
- **14 parents and 14 children** who participated in **Parent Education workshops and Support Groups**, and related care for children.

- **105** who were served by one of our specialized **Home Visiting** services, providing parent and family education and support.
- **57** who received **Welcome Baby** mailings and **26** who received **Welcome Baby Home Visits**.
- **35 children** who received **transportation assistance through our van**.
- **5** who attended our Preschool or Infant/Toddler child care programs.

We are grateful for the support shown by Barre City. For more information about any of our programs, please contact Lee S. Lauber, Executive Director, at 828-8765 or e-mail [familycenter@fcwcvt.org](mailto:familycenter@fcwcvt.org).

*“...fostering the positive growth and development of young children and their families.”*

## GREATER BARRE COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER

*"Creating understanding and resolution together"*

**20 Auditorium Hill, Barre, VT 05641 • 802-476-0276**

This has been a busy year for the Greater Barre Community Justice Center (GBCJC). We continue to follow our mission "to develop and facilitate restorative justice programs and practices in the Greater Barre community". With four programs and other activities in operation, our volunteers have been involved delivering our services in many ways.

The volunteer Citizen Advisory Board, comprised of representatives from Barre area community, businesses, city government and service agencies, advises and lends support to the staff and meets monthly to review program development and delivery.

The GBCJC administers three Reparative Boards, with 11 volunteers delivering community restorative justice bi-monthly. As part of their sentencing process, the offender is referred to a panel of community volunteers, where the victim is invited to tell how they were affected by the offender's actions. All parties discuss the harm done and how the offender can repair the harm and make amends. The offender gains an understanding of the consequences of his/her actions, is held accountable, and is given the opportunity to take responsibility for repairing the harm.

With a grant from the Children and Family Council for Prevention Programs, Agency of Human Services and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, we have designed two programs: Student Restorative Panels at Spaulding High School, where, with the help of student coordinator Stuart Campo, we trained 25 students to conduct restorative panel meetings at the school. After receiving referrals of wrongdoing from the administration, the panels meet with the student(s) who has done harm and the person(s) affected, to talk about what the harm was and how it can be repaired and relationships restored. The second program is Just Alternatives, a youth pre-charge program designed to address wrongdoing in the community for youth ages 10-17, by giving them a restorative process to make amends. Referrals come directly from the police and schools.

The Mediation Program addresses disputes between neighbors, landlords/tenants, businesses/customers, employees and citizen/city agencies in the greater Barre community. By meeting with trained mediators, disputing

parties can have a productive conversation, and work toward a resolution. Mediation cases are referred from police, agencies, city government and community.

The GBCJC has received a planning grant from the Department of Corrections to develop an offender reentry program that will involve community members in planning and providing support to those who are re-entering the community from incarceration, as well as to those who have been harmed by the offender. By June 2005, the program should be implemented.

The GBCJC has been conducting trainings in restorative justice, communication and mediation skills for area organizations and schools. Past recipients of these trainings are Barre Town School, Twinfield Union School, Williamstown Middle and High School, Barre Recreation Department, New Directions and community members who are interested in volunteering for the GBCJC and its programs.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to another year of serving the greater Barre community.

LORI BAKER  
*Executive Director*





## GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT AGENCY

The Green Mountain Transit Agency (GMTA) is a Vermont private not-for-profit agency that was created in April of 2003 for the purpose of providing a range of public transportation services in Washington County and the towns of Orange, Williamstown and Washington in Orange County. GMTA is a full service public transportation provider offering such services as fixed route and deviated fixed route bus services, demand response, commuter routes, ridematch, shopping shuttles, Medicaid transportation, transportation services for the elderly and the disabled and a county-wide ridesharing program.

The City of Barre is served by several of GMTA's services. Our fixed routes consist of the City Route, the Barre Hospital Hill, and the Hannaford Shopping Special. These operate 6 days per week totaling 93,062 trips in FY 04. GMTA's Rideshare program is another resource for residents to explore alternatives to the use of single occupancy vehicles as a primary mean of transportation.

GMTA's Volunteer Driver Program which is designed to address some of the different transportation needs that persons with disabilities and the elderly may have by providing assistance with arranging and paying for the ride is another valuable transportation service GMTA provides to Barre City residents. Primary funding for this program is obtained through grants that are managed on behalf of the Council on Aging. Additionally, Medicare, PATH and various other third parties are used to finance this important service. In the last fiscal year GMTA provided 1005 Barre City residents with more than 14,500 one-way trips to appointments and other life activities that are necessary for residents to maintain normalcy despite difficult life issues.

GMTA appreciates the financial assistance given by the voters of Barre City to support transit programs and initiatives and we look forward to another year of serving your residents with transportation solutions. For information please call (802) 223-7287 or visit our website [www.gmtaride.org](http://www.gmtaride.org)



## GREEN UP VERMONT

*Green Up Day, May 7, 2005 --  
35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!*

Thirty-four years strong, "Green Up Day" is a special day when Vermonters clean and spruce up their communities. We were the first state in our nation to designate a day for such cleaning of the entire state. Working together, we can keep our unique Green Up spirit growing for Vermont.

Green Up Vermont is the not-for-profit 501© (3) organization that works to enhance our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter free environment

Well over 15,000 Vermonters participated in Green Up Day 2004, using over 35,000 Green Up bags, collecting hundreds of tons of trash, piles of mixed metals and tires. Green Up Vermont arranged widespread promotional support in excess of \$25,000.

The success of Green Up for Vermont depends upon two essential ingredients. One is the combined efforts of individuals and civic groups who volunteer to make it all possible; and two, the financial support given by the public and private sectors throughout Vermont

With your town's help, we can continue our unique annual Vermont tradition of, taking care of our beautiful landscape and promoting civic pride so our children grow up with Green Up.

Careful use of resources minimizes Green Up's costs. The State appropriates funds that cover about 10 percent of our budget. The rest comes from gifts from towns, individuals and businesses. These funds pay for supplies, promotion and services of two part-time employees. We ask your community to contribute, according to population, to keep Green Up growing for Vermont.

**[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)**

**[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)**



**PEOPLE'S HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC**  
Serving the Uninsured and Underinsured of  
Central Vermont

**553 North Main Street, Barre, Vermont 05641**

**Telephone: 802-479-1229**

**FAX: 802-479-5444**

**E-mail: PHWC@sover.net**

*Mission: To provide primary health care and wellness education to the uninsured and underinsured community members of Central Vermont who cannot otherwise afford these services.*

In 2004 the People's Health & Wellness Clinic celebrated its tenth year of providing health care services to the uninsured and underinsured of Central Vermont. Continuing sharp increases in health insurance premiums are forcing many of our small businesses to eliminate this benefit to their employees. A number of area businesses have left Central Vermont leaving their employees unemployed and without access to affordable health care. Those left without affordable access to health care seek the help of the PHWC--patient numbers have increased dramatically during this past year due in large part to these circumstances.

Over seventy-five volunteer health care professionals from Central Vermont-- medical and naturopathic doctors, nurses, mental health counselors, massage therapists, diet/nutrition counselors, receptionists and others--volunteer their time and expertise at the PHWC; specialists donate their services for PHWC patients in their own offices. Many of our community members without health insurance and unable to afford the costs of a doctor's office visit are waitstaff in our restaurants, clerks in our stores, day care workers, farmers, carpenters, musicians, actors, artists, service personnel, aides in our schools and hospitals and nursing homes, and many others; all within approximately 225% of poverty level (approx. \$20,000 for one, \$25,500 for two, etc.).

The clinic is open two evenings a week and, in 2004, has added a few daytime hours per month; volunteers work on a rotating basis. The Clinic has treated nearly 3500 patients with over 14,000 visits since it opened its doors in March 1994. The Clinic serves more than 36 towns in Central Vermont and surrounding areas. **943 Barre residents have been treated at the PHWC.** There were 355 new patients added to the clinic's patient base in 2004.

The PHWC's programs continue to expand to include the Diagnostic Testing Program, the Colonoscopy Project, Outreach Health Screening Project, Smoking Cessation Program, and Pharmaceutical Assistance Aid. Health education with one-on-one counseling, workshops and printed handouts are also provided to assist patients with understanding their symptoms, conditions, medications and other treatments, as well as their lifestyle choices. The Case Manager provides continuity of patient care, with referral follow-up, drug company prescription assistance, and health education. The Executive Director and Administrative Assistant maintain the overall operation of the clinic and outreach into the Central Vermont community.

The PHWC is a conduit for eligible patients to enroll in the State's Vermont Health Access Program (VHAP), Dr. Dinosaur, Medicaid, and other programs for low to middle income residents. As a member of the Vermont Coalition of Clinics for the Uninsured, the PHWC gathers essential statistical data useful to the politicians making laws affecting this target population.

For information on scheduling an appointment, volunteering or making a donation, call the PHWC office weekdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday-Thursday, **479-1229**. Appointments are scheduled primarily for Monday and Thursday evenings, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM. The PHWC is located at 553 North Main Street in Barre, across from the Times Argus.

**PROJECT INDEPENDENCE**  
**Adult Day Health Care Service**  
**420 Washington Street**  
**Barre Vermont 05641**

Most Frequently Asked Questions about Project Independence

**I. WHAT IS AN ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE SERVICE?**

Non-profit community-based services offering structured, comprehensive, non-residential programs for health, social, and related support service needs. We serve adults with impairments and very frail elderly persons. At the same time, we offer respite and support to families and care givers. Our clients remain active in their community, connected to their families and friends, and able to choose to live at home. We call it Successful Aging, and we call ourselves a "Freedom Factory."

**II. WHAT DOES PROJECT INDEPENDENCE OFFER?**

**HEALTH SERVICES** - We have three nurses, two Restorative Aides, an Arts Therapist, and an Occupational Therapist on our staff. We provide:

- daily assessment of physical and emotional well-being
- an interdisciplinary, individualized plan of care
- coordination of a participant's total health care picture, including private physician, Home Health, and other providers
- emergency first-aid or intervention, as needed
- monitoring of vital signs, weight, blood sugar, etc., collecting, maintaining, updating health and medical information
- training in self-care and self-administration of medications; reminders to take medications
- support to family and care givers; training for other staff; consultation regarding dietary needs, restrictions, etc.
- therapeutic exercise and activities

**NOTE: We have recently installed or expanded:**

- a fully accessible shower
- a third accessible toilet
- a building-wide smoke alarm system
- central air conditioning
- a therapeutic activities room
- an arts therapy studio

- a nurse's treatment area
- and we purchased 12 acres of adjoining land and enlarged our parking lot and outdoor recreation area

**MEALS** - We serve a light breakfast, a full lunch, and an afternoon snack each day. Our chef prepares our meals, in-house.

### **ACTIVITIES**

- adapted swimming at Vermont Technical College and recreational swimming at Barre City Pool
- strength building, aerobic, and flexibility exercises
- participation in art shows, flea markets, bake sales, etc.
- computer training
- individualized arts therapy, art-related activities, and craft work
- weekly field trips to fairs, museums, theaters, ball games, shopping, dining out, and more
- foot care, occupational and physical therapy, flu shots; off-site haircuts and styling
- card games, bingo, bowling, mini-golf, outdoor activities, picnics, corn roasts
- music appreciation activities, dancing, performances by musician
- kitchen-based occupational therapy activities
- woodworking shop

**Note:** For special activities and health workshops, Project Independence and the Barre Senior Center often share staff and facilities.

**TRANSPORTATION** - With air-conditioned, handicapped accessible vans, we offer transportation to and from our site, for special trips and excursions, and regularly scheduled shopping and dining out trips.

### **III. HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?**

Just call 802-476-3630 and ask to speak Lou, Linda, Jane or someone in the nurse's office. E-mail us at , or ask your doctor, minister, home health nurse, or neighbor.



**RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM  
FOR CENTRAL VERMONT & NORTHEAST KINGDOM  
P.O. Box 433, Barre, VT 05641 • 802-828-4770**

*Serving the Counties of  
Caledonia, Essex, Orleans, Lamoille, Washington and Orange*

RSVP is part of a nationwide program of people who want to help meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills and knowledge in volunteer service to private non-profit organizations. RSVP for Central Vermont and Northeast Kingdom serves the Counties of Washington, Lamoille, Orleans, Caledonia, Essex and Orange.

During the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004, RSVP was able to involve 93 residents of Barre as RSVP volunteers. Those residents gave 13,123 hours of service to 35 organizations within the boundaries of, or serving, the City of Barre. Services such as Academic Buddies in schools, health clinics, food distribution centers, blood drawings, library services and many, many more were enhanced by the participation of RSVP volunteers.

If one used the State average wage, it means that RSVP volunteers donated the equivalent of \$205,506 in services to Barre area residents and organizations. This is proof that volunteers are valuable.

The Advisory Council, staff and the participants of RSVP are thankful for the support received from the City of Barre. Anyone wishing to know more about us should call 828-4770; stop in to see us at the Woodridge Nursing Home in Berlin, or visit our website at [volunteervt.com](http://volunteervt.com).

Respectfully,

J. GUY ISABELLE  
*Director*

**SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS TEAM**

**4 Cottage Street  
Barre, Vermont 05641  
802-476-1388  
802-476-1381 (fax)  
802-479-5577 (hotline)**

The Sexual Assault Crisis Team (SACT) is a private, non-profit organization that offers advocacy and services for male and female survivors of sexual violence. These services include emotional support, legal support, peer support, criminal justice advocacy, hospital advocacy, social services advocacy, planning, and others. SACT also provides training for professionals, schools, law enforcement, service groups and other public organizations.

During the fiscal year of 2003-2004, SACT began a new outreach program, the SACTMOBILE, an RV used as a mobile information unit. Through a grant from the Northfield Savings Bank, SACT purchased a used RV and modified it to house a variety of informational tools. A mini grant from the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services provided the funds to do outside lettering on the RV. The SACTMOBILE traveled to a number of communities in Washington County and to several schools. The response has been fantastic. The SACTMOBILE participated in several community parades, including Barre and Plainfield's homecoming parades. The SACTMOBILE contains a TV and VCR, making it possible to show informational videos. We also provide the public with brochures from a number of service agencies. Trained advocates are available to answer questions.

For the year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004, SACT provided services to 210 new clients, 178 females and 32 males. The ages of these clients were predominantly in the 13 to 40 years of age category. Most of these clients knew their offenders through current or past relationships. SACT received 583 crisis calls, 109 information and referral calls, provided 183 units of in-person crisis emotional support, 183 units of advocacy, and 207 units of legal advocacy, and 115 units of other services. SACT provided shelter to 12 females, 8 males for a total of 20 people, and 49 bed nights, during the fiscal year 2003-2004.





## STUDIO PLACE ARTS

### Banner Year for SPA

By all counts, 2004 was a triumphant year for us at Studio Place Arts. SPA worked hard to engage more people—a community of persons that continues to grow—in our daily activities. SPA has become known widely as a friendly arts organization with dependably high quality art exhibitions and educational programs.

#### Several Major Changes at SPA

SPA took the bold step of taking over additional space in the SPA building for its educational programs. We closed the café on the first floor of the building (adjacent to our Main Gallery exhibitions) and used the space for art classes and workshops. During 2004, SPA offered a wide variety of fine art and craft classes—from portrait drawing to figure sculpture to wood carving to stained glass to oil painting. More than 140 classes and workshops were created and offered during 2004.

In addition, SPA created a small printmaking studio in the rear portion of the first floor space. Over the past 10 months, we have worked with master printer Davis TeSelle to teach environmentally friendly printing techniques at SPA. SPA's new Whelan Press-XPRESS is an impressive, "student-friendly" machine that adds depth and new opportunities to our educational programs.

SPA moved its administrative offices from the second floor of the SPA building to the first floor. This freed up more space for new artist studios in the building and has allowed us to expand public viewing hours in our galleries.

#### Ambitious Exhibition Schedule

SPA developed shows every 5 weeks on each of the three floors of its building. As a general rule, the shows in its Main Gallery assembled works from artists in the central Vermont community and invited artists from around the country. Exhibitions on the Second Floor Gallery were either purposeful extensions of major exhibitions in the Main Gallery or they were student exhibitions. The Third Floor Gallery invited artists—both early in their careers and long-time artists—to exhibit solo shows. Exhibits at SPA are free to the public, and, with expanded gallery hours, show attendance has "skyrocketed."

SPA is well known for its motivating mantra: Make More Art! Thousands of people have enjoyed making art during one of SPA's exceptional classes and viewing art in one of SPA's gallery exhibits. We are pleased with our results to date and we thank you for being a part of this wonderful community center for the visual arts.

Among the many nice things said about us this year is this quote from Pamela Polston, Co-Editor of the *Seven Days* newspaper, the Nov. 24-Dec. 1, 2004 issue, in the Eyewitness column: "Studio Place Arts has created a vibrant facility for its members and central Vermont residents, restored a 'downtown blight' to its former beauty and provided a contemporary link to Barre's stone-artisan heritage. In a just world, such a place would not go wanting."



## THE VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED (VABVI)

**Mission:** To enable Vermonters with vision problems, whether blindness or impairment, to achieve and maintain independence.

- **Established in 1926** with assistance from Helen Keller and the American Foundation for the Blind.
- Offices located in:
  - ✱ **Brattleboro – 38 Park Place, Suite 2, (802) 254-8761**
  - ✱ **Burlington – 37 Elmwood Avenue, (802) 863-13158**
  - ✱ **Montpelier – 10 Main Street, (802) 828-5997**
  - ✱ **Rutland – 10 Burnham Avenue, (802) 775-6452**
- **All services provided without charge** to the consumer to ensure that no one is denied service because of financial concerns.
- **VABVI** stands on its own as **the only private agency in the state providing training, services, and support** to children, and adults who are blind or visually impaired.
- **1,397** consumers were served, in FY2004, from all fourteen counties in the state.
- **During FY03 Eighty-eight cents** out of every dollar we received went back out into the community in the form of services that we provide. Every dollar received stayed in Vermont, helping Vermonters.

### Overview of Services provided by VABVI

**Adult Services** – VABVI offers professional services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired, helping them to continue performing daily living tasks and activities that may have become difficult. The cornerstones of our support are the Peer Assisted Learning and Support (PALS) Groups. Services are provided in a group, at a central training site, or in the home.

**Children's Services** – VABVI Teachers of the Visually Impaired work with children as they grow, teaching daily living skills, Braille, and other communication skills, use of adaptive equipment and mobility. Parents receive valuable information about helpful resources and literature, as well as answers to their questions concerning their child's growth and development. VABVI's Transition Program helps adolescent's transition from high school to college or the work place.

**Volunteer Services** – VABVI's Rural Transportation Program provides statewide transportation for Vermonters who are blind or visually impaired. VABVI volunteers are also available to record materials on tape or into Braille, or go into the home for reading, providing companionship, or other duties. *Two hundred fifty three* VABVI Volunteers drove *199,672* miles and donated *14,036* hours of service in our FY2004.

**For more information contact the office located nearest you, email [general@vabvi.org](mailto:general@vabvi.org), or visit [www.vabvi.org](http://www.vabvi.org).**

## VERMONT GRANITE MUSEUM OF BARRE

Barre, Vermont is the "Granite Center of the World", recognized for its high quality Barre Gray granite, found to be ideal for monument work due to its even color and texture. In the late 1800's, technological advances in cutting stone, the arrival of the railroad and the popularity of ornate Victorian memorials created an economic boom for Barre, drawing hundreds of immigrants to work. Today, with millions of dollars in annual sales, granite is one of Vermont's largest and most enduring industries. A solid future is forecast for Barre for many reasons: it boasts a 3000 year supply of Barre Gray yet to be quarried, our large stone sculpting community, and our manufacturing capabilities.

The Vermont Granite Museum of Barre, created to honor the history, culture, geology, technology and art of our unique granite heritage, is housed in the former Jones Brother granite shed located in the North End of Barre. The beauty and massive scale of the building reflects the strength and impressiveness of Vermont's granite industry.

The Jones Bros, building has undergone 2 phases of historic restoration through contributions from the US Dept of Housing and Urban Development, US Dept of the Treasury's "Save America's Treasures" Program, the Vermont State Legislature, the City of Barre, The Community Block Grant Program plus a host of foundations, corporations and individuals, demonstrating the importance of this project. These phases stabilized the original structure, readying the building for interior construction.

The third phase of the project was completed in May, building a Stone Arts School in the facility funded by the Vermont Community Development Program, The Vermont Dept. of Economic Development and the Vermont Dept. of Employment and Training. The school is up and running, and teaches courses in clay modeling, etching, drawing, drafting, sandblast and carving. Today, local students as well as from all over the country learn from artists and industry experts.

Now entering Phase IV, the museum will complete work on the interior of the existing Jones Brothers Shed to house the museum's growing collections and developing exhibits. The museum hopes to be open on a limited basis for the summer and fall of 2005, and plans to be fully open by the spring of 2006.

**Depot Square.** Thousands of visitors from all over the world come to our area each year to tour the Rock of Ages Quarry, Hope Cemetery and

many of the other fine attractions here in the heart of Vermont. The Granite Museum's offices in Depot Square double as the Downtown Visitor Center, manned by local volunteers to help visitors with helpful suggestions and directions. Renovations on the interior of this building are in the works through a grant from the Vermont Agency of Transportation.

General Manager: Therese "Tess" Taylor School Coordinator: Ton Belville. Office Manager: Donna Lord. Museum Board of Directors: Jeff Martell, Peter Anthony, Adam Martin, Jim Francke, Giuliano Cecchinelli, Norm Akley, Paul Hutchins, Bob Pope, Ed Granai, Hans Asoera, Patty Meriam, Anita Ancel. Hours of operation: Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. [info@granitemuseum.com](mailto:info@granitemuseum.com)

PO Box 282 Barre, VT 05641 476-4605 [www.granitemuseum.com](http://www.granitemuseum.com)



## VERMONT LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

*Serving and Strengthening Vermont Local Government*

Founded in 1967, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that serves Vermont's municipal officials. The League provides:

- information and other resources to municipal officials so that they can deliver excellent service to their citizens, and to the public so that it can better understand local government;
- support for legislation that strengthens local government; and
- comprehensive insurance coverage for municipalities.

### *Who We Are*

Its member municipal governments own VLCT. A 13-member Board of Directors is elected to represent the general membership and govern the organization. Board members must serve as a selectperson, mayor, manager or clerk in a member municipality and all VLCT members are welcome to attend Board meetings. An Executive Director is appointed by the Board and manages the League's day-to-day operations.

### *Services We Provide*

#### **Municipal Assistance Center**

VLCT's Municipal Assistance Center (MAC) serves and strengthens Vermont local governments by providing legal, consulting, and education services. Comprised of five staff members with experience in municipal law, local planning and zoning, and public administration, the Center is well prepared to meet the needs of Vermont municipalities. The Center fields toll-free telephone inquiries from municipal officials, maintains a clearinghouse of model ordinances and bylaws, and sponsors workshops on current issues affecting local government. In FY04, VLCT responded to 5,771 telephone and electronic inquiries for assistance from municipal officials and conducted 14 workshops attracting over 1200 municipal attendees. The MAC team is also available to contract with municipalities for individualized assistance with legal review and drafting of documents, meeting facilitation and retreats, personnel searches, management audits, and customized training on topics of your choice. MAC also maintains an information and resources library and conducts annual surveys and data

collections. For more information on these services, call 800/649-7915 or e-mail [info@vlct.org](mailto:info@vlct.org).

### **Publications**

VLCT offers handbooks written specifically for local officials who need a 'plain English' guide to complex state and federal laws. In FY04, over 600 handbooks were distributed to municipal officials. The League also publishes informational posters, surveys and an annual calendar of important municipal dates. The monthly *VLCT News* contains articles on a wide variety of municipal issues and during the legislative session, VLCT publishes the *Weekly Legislative Report* to keep officials abreast of legislative developments. Our annual *Legislative Wrap Up* explains new laws of interest to municipal officials.

### **Group Services**

The VLCT Group Services Program offers a full range of insurance and risk management products designed specifically for Vermont's cities and towns. Group services programs are delivered in a service-oriented, cost-effective manner and are managed by municipal officials, staff and technical advisors. All excess insurance program revenues are jointly owned by or returned to the participating municipalities. Through the following programs, VLCT is responsible for \$43 million in municipal tax dollars for insurance and risk management:

**VLCT Health Trust, Inc.**

**VLCT Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund**

**VLCT Unemployment Insurance Trust, Inc.**

### **Legislative Advocacy**

Speaking with one voice on behalf of many Vermont municipalities, VLCT educates state and federal officials about the impact of their actions on local governments and informs them of municipal needs and concerns.

Each fall, VLCT members set the League's legislative priorities for the upcoming year when they adopt the VLCT Municipal Policy. During the legislative session, the Board of Directors also provides guidance on legislative issues as they evolve at the State House. For the 2005 legislative session, our top priorities are bringing municipal

health care costs under control, protecting the property taxes paid into the state Education Fund from being diverted to pay for other state responsibilities and securing adequate funding for municipal highways and bridges.

At the federal level, VLCT represents Vermont municipal interests in Congress and federal agencies through its membership in the National League of Cities, and its work with Vermont's congressional delegation.

### **Joint Purchases**

VLCT often pools the buying power of the 246 cities and towns in Vermont to obtain the lowest prices on necessary goods and services. Recent examples include facsimile machines, long-distance telephone service and telephonic devices for the deaf (TDDs).

### **Town Fair and Other Training**

VLCT's annual business meeting is held during Town Fair in late September. At the meeting, the VLCT membership elects its officers and Board of Directors and adopts its legislative priorities. TOWN FAIR attracts over 800 attendees who participate in training workshops and meetings and visit the displays of almost 100 vendors. VLCT also provides Municipal Law Center seminars, membership services workshops and insurance risk management programs.

### ***Membership***

All 246 organized Vermont cities and towns are eligible for full municipal membership. This membership allows voting privileges and input on policy development and adoption, as well as access to all the League's services. All Vermont cities and towns are currently VLCT members.



## **WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM Annual Report - FY 2004**

### **WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO**

- We are a local program that addresses unlawful behavior, supports victims of crime & promotes a healthy community.
- Court Diversion is the community alternative to court for first offenders in Washington County.
- Our volunteer boards hear both adult and juvenile cases referred from court by the state's attorney.
- We also administer the Alcohol Safety Program (ASP), a program created by the legislature in 2000 to deal with a crackdown in enforcement of underage drinking laws.

It is our philosophy that ordinary citizens who volunteer their time and energy are more effective in confronting those who have committed crimes than our court system can be, especially the first time that an offender is charged with an illegal act. Our volunteers have the same perspective as those who are victimized by illegal acts, and they are committed to:

### **OUR GOALS**

- ◆ to see that the victim is made whole to the extent possible through restitution, apology or service by the offender;
- ◆ to see that the community is compensated through service by the offender for the harm it has suffered;
- ◆ to help the offender realize the true human consequences and impact of his or her actions; and
- ◆ to direct the offender toward activities/services that will increase his or her chances of being crime free (Diversion) or choosing to remain substance free (ASP) in the future.

### **IN FY 04 (July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004):**

- We received 154 referrals to Diversion and 323 ASP tickets, for a total of 477 clients served in the period; Over 70 of these were Barre City residents.
- Our clients performed 5965 hours of community service to various community organizations in Washington County. Some of the sites included the Salvation Army, Lincoln, Central Vermont Food Bank, Central Vermont Hospital, American Cancer Society, Washington

Co. Youth Service Bureau, CV Humane Society, and local school systems.

- Money paid back to crime victims (\$10,373) and donations to charities (\$753) amounted to \$11,126.00 for the year.

**(Financial restitution was paid to numerous Barre City residents, as well over \$800 which was paid to the City of Barre itself for damages sustained to city property during an offense.)**

### **SINCE THE BEGINNING**

- Since Diversion's inception in this county in 1982, over 3900 diversion clients have successfully paid back their victims and the community for their offenses and have been given a fresh start with a clean record, and a total of 1240 crime victims have received compensation totaling over for their losses amounting to over \$31,5059.00.

### **FUNDING**

As a community based, non-profit program and United Way Agency in FY 04, Diversion got 61% of its funds from the Attorney General's office; 24% from client fees, 8 % from the United Way and the remaining 7% from other local sources like towns and cities. Our total cost per case last year averaged \$275.00 per case. That is hundreds of dollars less per case than any alternative where the offender goes to court.

**Many thanks to the voters for your consistent support for  
Diversion over the years.**

**We continue to need – and to deeply appreciate – your assistance!**

**PO Box 1026, Montpelier, VT 05601**

**[wcdp@adelphia.net](mailto:wcdp@adelphia.net)**

**802-828-0600**

**CITY OF BARRE**  
**WARNING FOR ANNUAL MARCH MEETING**

The legal Voters of the Wards of the City of Barre are hereby Warned to meet at the respective polling places of said wards at the central polling place in the municipal auditorium on Auditorium Hill on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2005 from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

At the same time and place and during the same voting hours, the voters of the Wards will meet for the purpose of electing by Australian Ballot an Alderman for each of the Wards as follows:

Ward 1: One Alderman to serve for a term of two (2) years.

Ward 2: One Alderman to serve for a term of two (2) years.

Ward 3: One Alderman to serve for a term of two (2) years.

At the same time and place and during the same hours, the legal voters are Warned to meet for the purpose of acting, by Australian Ballot, on the following articles. The polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

**ARTICLE I**

Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize a General Fund Budget of \$ 7,643,929 for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006?

Tax Rate \$ 1.5859

**ARTICLE II**

Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$ 175,000 for the Street Reconstruction and Restoration Plan? Tax Rate \$ 0.0549

**ARTICLE III**

Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$ 50,000 for the Capital Budget?

Tax Rate \$ 0.0157

**ARTICLE IV**

Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the sum of \$ 50,000 for Sidewalk improvements?

Tax Rate \$ 0.0157

## ARTICLE V

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 3,000 for the Barre Homecoming Celebration Event? Tax Rate \$ 0.0009

## ARTICLE VI

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 1,000 for Good Beginnings of Central Vermont? Tax Rate \$ 0.0003

## ARTICLE VII

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 3,500 for the Family Center of Washington County? Tax Rate \$ 0.0011

## ARTICLE VIII

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 5,000 for Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club? Tax Rate \$ 0.0016

## ARTICLE IX

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 1,000 for Barre Neighborhood Housing Services ( dba Central Vermont Community Land Trust )? Tax Rate \$ 0.0003

## ARTICLE X

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 7,700 for Central Vermont Adult Basic Education ( Barre Learning Center )? Tax Rate \$ 0.0024

## ARTICLE XI

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 10,000 for Central Vermont Council on Aging? Tax Rate \$ 0.0031

## ARTICLE XII

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 1,500 for the Washington County Diversion Program? Tax Rate \$ 0.0005

**ARTICLE XIII**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 2,000 for the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County? Tax Rate \$ 0.0006

**ARTICLE XIV**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 2,000 for Battered Women's Services and Shelter? Tax Rate \$ 0.0006

**ARTICLE XV**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 36,572 for Green Mountain Transit Agency? Tax Rate \$ 0.0115

**ARTICLE XVI**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 28,000 for Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice? Tax Rate \$ 0.0088

**ARTICLE XVII**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 2,000 for Home Share of Central Vermont? Tax Rate \$ 0.0006

**ARTICLE XVIII**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 3,000 for the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program? Tax Rate \$ 0.0009

**ARTICLE XIX**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 2,000 for the People's Health & Wellness Clinic? Tax Rate \$ 0.0006

**ARTICLE XX**

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 5,500 for Project Independence, Inc.? Tax Rate \$ 0.0017

## ARTICLE XXI

Shall the City's Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 7,500 for the Barre Area Senior Center? Tax Rate \$ 0.0024

## ARTICLE XXII

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 3,000 for the Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.? Tax Rate \$ 0.0009

## ARTICLE XXIII

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 1,000 for Central Vermont Crime Stoppers? Tax Rate \$ 0.0003

## ARTICLE XXIV

Shall the City Voters authorize the expenditure of \$ 1,000 for the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?  
Tax Rate \$ 0.0003

( If Voter Assistance Articles V through XXIV are approved the Tax Rate would increase by \$ 0.0394 )

## ARTICLE XXV

Shall the City Voters authorize the continuance of a Property Tax Exemption for an additional period of five (5) years for the Good Samaritan Haven, Inc., located at 105 North Seminary Street, Barre, Vermont?  
Tax Rate \$ 0.0010

## ARTICLE XXVI

Shall the City Voters authorize the continuance of a Property Tax Exemption for an additional period of five (5) years for the Project Independence Adult Day Center for Central Vermont located at 420 Washington Street, Barre, Vermont? Tax Rate \$ 0.0009

## ARTICLE XXVII

Shall the Voters of the City of Barre authorize the Barre City Council to accept and expend any grants, gifts, or unanticipated revenues received during the fiscal year?

The City of Barre proposes the following amendment to the Barre City Charter. Wording in brackets [ ] indicates deletion of existing language and underlining \_\_\_\_\_ indicates the addition of new language.

## ARTICLE XXVIII

Shall Chapter III, Article II, Section 322 of the Barre City Charter be hereby amended as follows:

Chapter III. Article II. Section 322. Tax stabilization contract.

The city council shall have the authority to enter into a contract with owners, lessees, bailees or operators of agricultural, industrial, residential, or commercial real {and personal} property for the purpose of:

- (a) Fixing and maintaining the valuation of such property on the grand list;
- (b) Fixing and maintaining the rate or rates of tax applicable to such property;
- (c) Fixing the amount in money which shall be paid as an annual tax upon such property; or
- (d) Fixing the tax applicable to such property at a percentage of the annual tax.

The authority to enter into such contract shall be by vote of two-thirds of those present and voting at an annual or special meeting warned for that purpose for a contract relating to agricultural, commercial, residential, or industrial real property. ( Amend. Of 9/13/88 )

The voters may provide general authority to the city council to enter into such contracts as application is made, or provide limited authority to the city council to negotiate contracts which shall be effective upon ratification by a majority of those present and voting at an annual or special

meeting warned for that purpose.

Any contract entered into pursuant to this section:

- (a) Shall be for a period not in excess of ten (10) years;
- (b) Shall be filed with the city clerk and shall be available for public inspection;
- (c) May be with existing or new owners, lessees, bailees, or operators of such property or with persons who intend to become owners, lessees, bailees or operators of such property; and
- (d) May be applicable to existing agricultural property, renovations of or additions to existing agricultural, commercial, residential, or industrial real property, or to new agricultural, commercial, residential, or industrial real property.

Adopted and approved by the Barre City Council on January 25, 2005.

PETER D. ANTHONY/s/, Mayor  
EUGENE G. STRATTON, City Clerk/s/

City Councilors

HARRY L. DANIELS/s/  
CAROLYN S. DAWES/s/  
KEVIN T. MOULTON/s/  
PAUL T. DECOSTE/s/  
RANDALL E. COPPING/s/  
KEVIN F. SPAULDING/s/

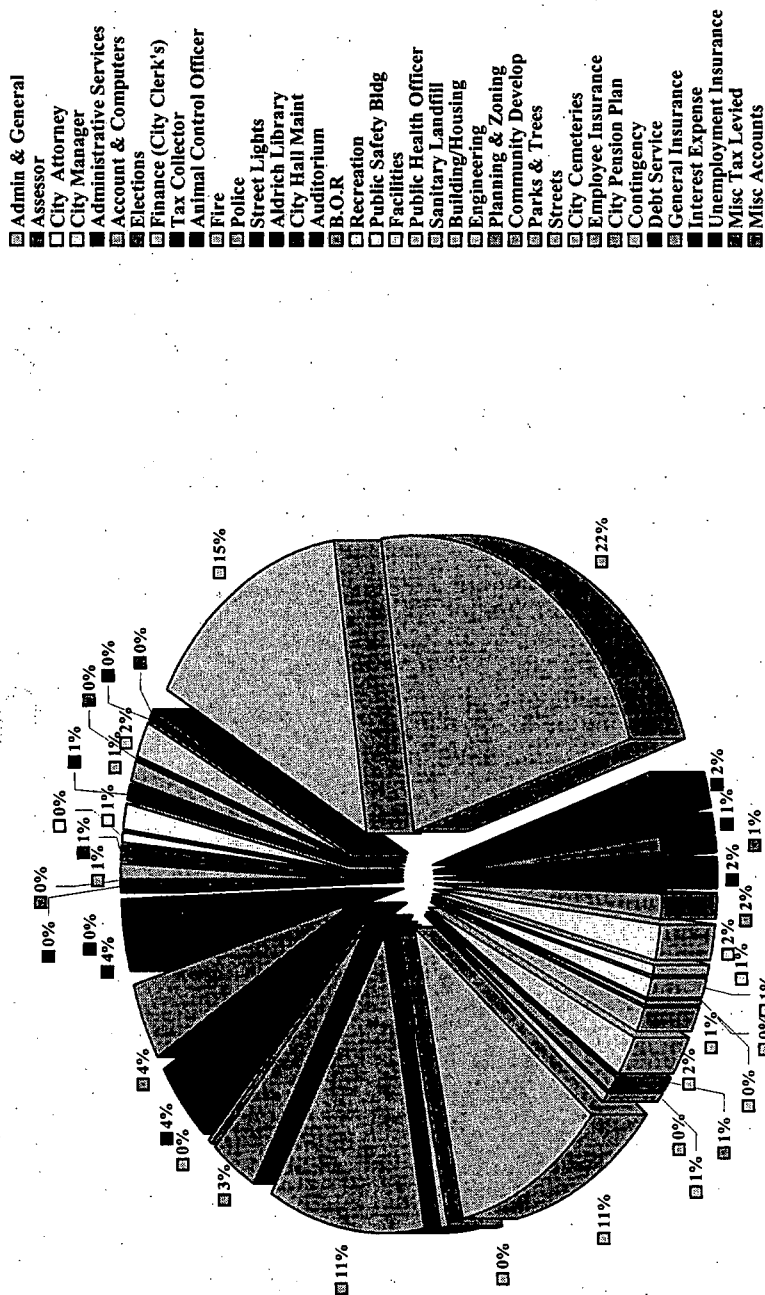


| City of Barre - Proposed FY 2005-2006 Budget |                              |                              |                        |             |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund Expenditures                    |                              |                              |                        |             |
| Department                                   | Approved Budget<br>2004-2005 | Proposed Budget<br>2005-2006 | Increase<br>(Decrease) | %<br>Change |
| Admin & General                              | \$68,668                     | \$66,668                     | (\$2,000)              | -2.9%       |
| Assessor                                     | \$67,787                     | \$70,661                     | \$2,874                | 4.2%        |
| City Attorney                                | \$29,550                     | \$29,550                     | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| City Manager                                 | \$111,058                    | \$111,551                    | \$493                  | 0.4%        |
| Administrative Services                      | \$51,829                     | \$52,649                     | \$820                  | 1.6%        |
| Account & Computers                          | \$82,733                     | \$84,470                     | \$1,737                | 2.1%        |
| Elections                                    | \$10,500                     | \$5,750                      | (\$4,750)              | -45.2%      |
| Finance (City Clerk's)                       | \$151,149                    | \$157,111                    | \$5,962                | 3.9%        |
| Tax Collector                                | \$24,689                     | \$24,662                     | (\$27)                 | -0.1%       |
| Animal Control Officer                       | \$11,631                     | \$11,631                     | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Fire                                         | \$1,081,255                  | \$1,132,518                  | \$51,263               | 4.7%        |
| Police                                       | \$1,642,746                  | \$1,687,018                  | \$44,272               | 2.7%        |
| Street Lights                                | \$151,000                    | \$152,000                    | \$1,000                | 0.7%        |
| Aldrich Library                              | \$70,000                     | \$81,500                     | \$11,500               | 16.4%       |
| City Hall Maintenance                        | \$71,927                     | \$66,675                     | (\$5,252)              | -7.3%       |
| Auditorium                                   | \$126,134                    | \$124,524                    | (\$1,610)              | -1.3%       |
| B.O.R.                                       | \$119,845                    | \$120,743                    | \$898                  | 0.7%        |
| Recreation                                   | \$136,125                    | \$135,081                    | (\$1,044)              | -0.8%       |
| Public Safety Building                       | \$0                          | \$50,427                     | \$50,427               | 100.0%      |
| Facilities                                   | \$85,991                     | \$81,037                     | (\$4,954)              | -5.8%       |
| Public Health Officer                        | \$4,884                      | \$4,400                      | (\$484)                | -9.9%       |
| Sanitary Landfill                            | \$20,700                     | \$20,910                     | \$210                  | 1.0%        |
| Building & Housing                           | \$94,058                     | \$97,533                     | \$3,475                | 3.7%        |
| Engineering                                  | \$164,911                    | \$169,553                    | \$4,642                | 2.8%        |
| Planning & Zoning                            | \$72,256                     | \$68,180                     | (\$4,076)              | -5.6%       |
| Community Development                        | \$44,000                     | \$44,000                     | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Parks & Trees                                | \$6,800                      | \$6,800                      | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Streets                                      | \$815,224                    | \$822,427                    | \$7,203                | 0.9%        |
| City Cemeteries                              | \$31,500                     | \$31,500                     | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Employee Insurance                           | \$775,428                    | \$858,850                    | \$83,422               | 10.8%       |
| City Pension Plan                            | \$237,744                    | \$255,955                    | \$18,211               | 7.7%        |
| Contingency                                  | \$5,000                      | \$12,500                     | \$7,500                | 150.0%      |
| Debt Service                                 | \$129,909                    | \$339,058                    | \$209,149              | 161.0%      |
| General Insurance                            | \$324,358                    | \$330,152                    | \$5,794                | 1.8%        |
| Interest Expense                             | \$111,999                    | \$295,385                    | \$183,386              | 163.7%      |
| Separation & Retirement                      | \$538                        | \$0                          | (\$538)                | 100.0%      |
| Unemployment Insurance                       | \$10,750                     | \$5,500                      | (\$5,250)              | -48.8%      |
| Misc Tax Levied                              | \$33,000                     | \$33,000                     | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Special Projects                             | \$0                          | \$0                          | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| Misc Accounts                                | \$2,000                      | \$2,000                      | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                    | <b>\$6,979,676</b>           | <b>\$7,643,929</b>           | <b>\$664,253</b>       | <b>9.5%</b> |

|                                        |                    |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Total General Fund Budget</b>       | <b>\$7,643,929</b> |
| <b>Less Non-tax Generated Revenue</b>  | <b>\$2,587,922</b> |
| <b>Total To be Raised by Gen.Taxes</b> | <b>\$5,056,007</b> |

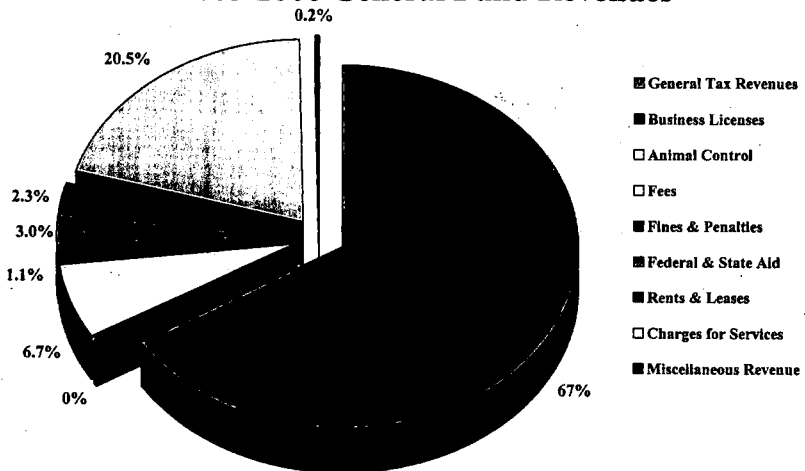
| Voter Approved Items             |                  |                  |                         |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Voter Approved Assist            | \$98,200         | \$123,500        | \$25,300 25.8%          |
| Capital Budget                   | \$75,000         | \$50,000         | (\$25,000) -33.3%       |
| Street Construction              | \$200,000        | \$175,000        | (\$25,000) -12.5%       |
| Sidewalk Construction            | \$65,000         | \$50,000         | (\$15,000) -23.1%       |
| Municipal Maintenance            | \$0              | \$0              | \$0 0.0%                |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>\$438,200</b> | <b>\$398,500</b> | <b>(\$39,700) -9.1%</b> |
| Total Overall Municipal Tax Rate |                  |                  |                         |
| Total Assessed Value             | FY04/05          | FY05/06          | Increase                |
| \$318,800,000                    | \$1.577          | \$1.711          | \$0.134                 |

## FY 2005-2006 General Fund Expenditures



| City of Barre - Proposed FY 2005-2006 Budget |                                 |                                 |                        |             |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund Revenues                        |                                 |                                 |                        |             |
| Department                                   | Approved<br>Budget<br>2004-2005 | Proposed<br>Budget<br>2005-2006 | Increase<br>(Decrease) | %<br>Change |
| General Tax Revenues                         | \$4,514,229                     | \$5,056,007                     | \$541,778              | 12.0%       |
| Business Licenses                            | \$8,275                         | \$8,125                         | (\$150)                | -1.8%       |
| Animal Control                               | \$4,800                         | \$4,400                         | (\$400)                | -8.3%       |
| Fees                                         | \$492,489                       | \$508,989                       | \$16,500               | 3.4%        |
| Fines & Penalties                            | \$92,000                        | \$82,000                        | (\$10,000)             | -10.9%      |
| Federal & State Aid                          | \$260,327                       | \$226,660                       | (\$33,667)             | -12.9%      |
| Rents & Leases                               | \$162,000                       | \$177,000                       | \$15,000               | 9.3%        |
| Charges for Services                         | \$1,422,056                     | \$1,565,748                     | \$143,692              | 10.1%       |
| Miscellaneous Revenue                        | \$23,500                        | \$15,000                        | (\$8,500)              | -36.2%      |
| Reimbursements                               | \$0                             | \$0                             | \$0                    | 0.0%        |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$6,979,676</b>              | <b>\$7,643,929</b>              | <b>\$664,253</b>       | <b>9.5%</b> |

FY 2005-2006 General Fund Revenues



1/18/2005

**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
WARNING  
FOR  
MARCH 1, 2005 VOTE**

The legal voters of the School District of the City of Barre are hereby warned to meet at the polling place in the Municipal Auditorium on Auditorium Hill on the first day of March 2005 at 7:00 a.m. The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

At the same time and during the same voting hours, the voters of each of the Wards of the School District will meet for the purpose of electing, by Australian ballot, school commissioners as follows:

Ward 1: One School Commissioner to serve for a term of three (3) years.  
One School Commissioner to complete a term of three (3) years (Exp. 2007)

Ward 2: One School Commissioner to serve for a term of three (3) years.

Ward 3: One School Commissioner to serve for a term of three (3) years.

At the same time and during the same voting hours, the voters at large in the City of Barre will meet for the purpose of electing, by Australian ballot, Spaulding High School Union District Board members as follows:

One Spaulding High School Union District Director to serve for a term of three (3) years.

One Spaulding High School Union District Director to complete a term of three years (Exp. 2007)

At the same time and place and during the same hours, the legal voters are warned to meet for the purpose of action by Australian ballot on the following articles:

ARTICLE I

Shall the School District pay the Chairman of the School Board the sum of \$1,500 per year for his/her services?

ARTICLE II

Shall the School District pay each School Commissioner the sum of \$1,000 per year for his/her services?

ARTICLE III

Shall the voters of the City of Barre School District authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year?

ARTICLE IV

Shall the City of Barre School District vote the sum of \$8,376,095 to meet current expenses of the Barre City Elementary and Middle School for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006?

ARTICLE V

Shall Barre City School District contribute \$25,000 to the fund to be used by the Board of School Commissioners to pay for long-term school building repairs?

DATED this 10th day of January, 2005

Anita Ristau, Chair/s/  
Marcia Biondolillo, Vice Chair/s/  
Anita Chadderton, Clerk/s/  
Paul Simonetta/s/  
Salvatore D'Agostino/s/  
Harry Daniels/s/  
James Ward/s/  
Martin Prevost/s/  
Jeff Anton/s/

Barre City Board of School Commissioners

**SPAULDING UNION HIGH SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #41 ANNUAL MEETING  
WARNING FOR FEBRUARY 28, 2005  
VOTE**

The legal voters of Spaulding Union High School District # 41, which consists of Barre City School District and the Barre Town School District, Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the Spaulding High School Library in the City of Barre, Vermont, on Monday, February 28, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a moderator for a one-year term.

ARTICLE 2. To elect a clerk for a one-year term.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a treasurer for a one-year term.

ARTICLE 4. To elect auditors:

One for a three-year term.

ARTICLE 5. To determine what compensation shall be paid to the officers of the district.

|               |                       |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| Moderator     | \$100                 |
| Clerk         | \$100/year            |
| Treasurer     | \$500/year            |
| Auditors      | \$100/year            |
| Board Members | \$1,500/year for each |
| Board Chair   | \$2,000/year          |

ARTICLE 6. To see if the voters of said Spaulding Union High School District (No. 41) will vote to authorize its Board of School Directors to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the member districts as provided in 16 VSA Section 711b, by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date.

ARTICLE 7. To present and discuss the proposed 2005-06 budget which will be voted on March 1, 2005.

ARTICLE 8. To do any other business proper to come before said meeting.

ARTICLE 9. To adjourn.

Adopted and approved at a meeting of the Board of School Directors of Spaulding Union High School District #41 held on January 3, 2005. Received for record and recorded in records of Spaulding Union High School District #41 on January 25, 2005.

ATTEST:

Cedric Sanborn, Clerk/s/  
Spaulding High School  
Union District #41

Steve Mackenzie, Chair/s/  
Therese Taylor, Vice Chair/s/  
J. Guy Isabelle, Clerk/s/  
John Hulbert/s/  
Rowland Brucken/s/  
Thomas Boyce/s/  
John Pizzo/s/

Spaulding Union High School District #41  
Board of School Directors

**SPAULDING UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #41****WARNING FOR MARCH 1, 2005 VOTE**

The legal voters of the Spaulding Union High School District #41 who are residents of the City of Barre and the Town of Barre, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Barre City Auditorium in the City of Barre, on Tuesday, March 1, 2005 between the hours of seven (7:00) o'clock in the forenoon (a.m.) at which time the polls will open and seven (7:00) o'clock in the afternoon (p.m.) at which time the polls will close; and the Barre Town Middle and Elementary School in the Town of Barre, on Tuesday, March 1, 2005, between the hours of seven (7:00) o'clock in the forenoon (a.m.) at which time the polls will open and seven (7:00) o'clock in the afternoon (p.m.) at which time the polls will close, respectively, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following Articles of business:

**ARTICLE I**

Shall the Spaulding Union High School District #41 vote the sum of \$11,225,008 to meet the current expenses of the High School Union District (consisting of Spaulding High School and the Barre Technical Center) for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006?

**ARTICLE II**

Shall the Spaulding Union High School District #41 vote the sum of \$25,000 for a long-term maintenance fund?

The legal voters and residents of Spaulding Union High School District #41 are further warned and notified that an informational meeting will be held in the Library at Spaulding High School in the City of Barre on Monday, February 28, 2005 commencing at six thirty (6:30) o'clock in the afternoon (p.m.) for the purpose of explaining the article to be voted on by Australian ballot.

The legal voters of Spaulding Union High School District #41 are further notified that voter qualification, registration and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.



Adopted and approved at a meeting of the Board of School Directors of Spaulding Union High School District #41 held on January 3, 2005. Received for record and recorded in the records of Spaulding Union High School District #41 on January 25, 2005.

ATTEST:

Cedric Sanborn, Clerk  
Spaulding Union High School  
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Steve Mackenzie, Chair/s/  
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Spaulding Union High School District #41 Board of School Directors

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                   | Budget       | Actual       | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                   |              |              |                                        |
| General Tax Control:              |              |              |                                        |
| General taxes                     | \$ 3,624,333 | \$ 3,637,197 | \$ 12,864                              |
| Highway taxes                     | 620,885      | 620,885      | 0                                      |
| Washington County tax             | 32,919       | 32,919       | 0                                      |
| Voter approved assistance         | 80,200       | 80,200       | 0                                      |
| Total general tax control         | 4,358,337    | 4,371,201    | 12,864                                 |
| Licenses:                         |              |              |                                        |
| Liquor licenses                   | 2,100        | 2,537        | 437                                    |
| Restaurant licenses               | 1,000        | 997          | (3)                                    |
| Miscellaneous licenses            | 500          | 711          | 211                                    |
| Taxicab and taxidriver licenses   | 750          | 484          | (266)                                  |
| Theater licenses                  | 250          | 250          | 0                                      |
| Trucking, rubbish and waste       | 675          | 600          | (75)                                   |
| Entertainment                     | 500          | 400          | (100)                                  |
| Video machines                    | 2,100        | 1,790        | (310)                                  |
| Animal control licenses           | 4,800        | 4,599        | (201)                                  |
| Total licenses                    | 12,675       | 12,368       | (307)                                  |
| Fees and Franchises:              |              |              |                                        |
| CVCAC in lieu of taxes            | 5,000        | 5,000        | 0                                      |
| WCMH in lieu of taxes             | 0            | 7,089        | 7,089                                  |
| Barre Housing in lieu of taxes    | 49,000       | 52,712       | 3,712                                  |
| State of Vermont in lieu of taxes | 50,000       | 92,961       | 42,961                                 |
| Building, plumbing and wiring     | 25,000       | 21,946       | (3,054)                                |
| Delinquent tax collector fee      | 33,000       | 35,058       | 2,058                                  |
| Green Mountain Passports          | 0            | 22           | 22                                     |
| Vehicle registrations             | 500          | 1,796        | 1,296                                  |
| Meters/permits                    | 65,000       | 67,524       | 2,524                                  |
| Animal control fines              | 50           | 0            | (50)                                   |
| Liquor licenses                   | 150          | 170          | 20                                     |
| Marriage licenses                 | 500          | 1,032        | 532                                    |
| Miscellaneous income              | 3,000        | 2,467        | (533)                                  |
| Recording fees                    | 65,000       | 78,667       | 13,667                                 |
| Swimming pool admissions          | 32,000       | 28,363       | (3,637)                                |
| Concession fees                   | 2,000        | 249          | (1,751)                                |
| Zoning fees                       | 24,000       | 13,510       | (10,490)                               |
| Cell tower fees                   | 21,000       | 30,990       | 9,990                                  |
| Police Department fees            | 5,000        | 2,648        | (2,352)                                |
| Vault fees                        | 1,200        | 1,171        | (29)                                   |
| Recreation fees                   | 750          | 504          | (246)                                  |
| Fire alarm maintenance fees       | 4,500        | 4,800        | 300                                    |
| Minimum housing fees              | 0            | 20,226       | 20,226                                 |
| Restoration of records            | 8,500        | 10,566       | 2,066                                  |
| Total fees and franchises         | 395,150      | 479,471      | 84,321                                 |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                     | Budget           | Actual           | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Rents, Leases and Fees:</b>      |                  |                  |                                        |
| Auditorium                          | 35,000           | 35,903           | 903                                    |
| Pro shop rent                       | 0                | 962              | 962                                    |
| Annex rent                          | 6,500            | 2,661            | (3,839)                                |
| BOR rents and leases                | 115,000          | 140,854          | 25,854                                 |
| Special Projects - police           | 0                | 67,985           | 67,985                                 |
| Special Projects - fire             | 0                | 6,353            | 6,353                                  |
| Special Projects - custodial fees   | 3,500            | 5,260            | 1,760                                  |
| Miscellaneous rents                 | 0                | 145              | 145                                    |
| <b>Total rents, leases and fees</b> | <b>160,000</b>   | <b>260,123</b>   | <b>100,123</b>                         |
| <b>Fines and Penalties:</b>         |                  |                  |                                        |
| Ambulance fines/penalties           | 0                | 112              | 112                                    |
| City ordinance violations           | 60,000           | 48,600           | (11,400)                               |
| Delinquent tax interest             | 15,000           | 12,857           | (2,143)                                |
| Traffic Court                       | 20,000           | 15,211           | (4,789)                                |
| <b>Total fines and penalties</b>    | <b>95,000</b>    | <b>76,780</b>    | <b>(18,220)</b>                        |
| <b>Federal and State Aid:</b>       |                  |                  |                                        |
| Highway aid                         | 120,000          | 127,839          | 7,839                                  |
| Federal and State grants            | 133,081          | 209,906          | 76,825                                 |
| <b>Total federal and state aid</b>  | <b>253,081</b>   | <b>337,745</b>   | <b>84,664</b>                          |
| <b>Interest Income</b>              | <b>15,000</b>    | <b>1,733</b>     | <b>(13,267)</b>                        |
| <b>School Participation</b>         | <b>2,000</b>     | <b>2,000</b>     | <b>0</b>                               |
| <b>Enterprise Funds</b>             | <b>658,043</b>   | <b>658,043</b>   | <b>0</b>                               |
| <b>Ambulance Income</b>             | <b>400,000</b>   | <b>409,205</b>   | <b>9,205</b>                           |
| <b>Dispatch Centers</b>             | <b>129,000</b>   | <b>188,121</b>   | <b>59,121</b>                          |
| <b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>       | <b>0</b>         | <b>15,811</b>    | <b>15,811</b>                          |
| <b>Jail Operation</b>               | <b>23,000</b>    | <b>18,102</b>    | <b>(4,898)</b>                         |
| <b>Total revenues</b>               | <b>6,501,286</b> | <b>6,830,703</b> | <b>329,417</b>                         |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                    | Budget  | Actual  | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                |         |         |                                        |
| <b>Administrative and General:</b> |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                 | 8,000   | 8,039   | (39)                                   |
| FICA                               | 612     | 630     | (18)                                   |
| Office machines maintenance        | 3,500   | 2,476   | 1,024                                  |
| Annual audit                       | 4,500   | 10,400  | (5,900)                                |
| City report                        | 3,300   | 4,595   | (1,295)                                |
| Postage meter contract             | 10,000  | 15,025  | (5,025)                                |
| Holiday observance                 | 2,800   | 981     | 1,819                                  |
| City Council's expenses            | 500     | 610     | (110)                                  |
| Office machines supplies           | 3,000   | 2,856   | 144                                    |
| Postage meter                      | 1,800   | 1,928   | (128)                                  |
| Dues                               | 9,500   | 10,626  | (1,126)                                |
| Advertising                        | 13,000  | 11,232  | 1,768                                  |
| Program materials                  | 1,000   | 998     | 2                                      |
| Telephone                          | 100     | 5       | 95                                     |
| Total administrative and general   | 61,612  | 70,401  | (8,789)                                |
| <b>Assessor's Office:</b>          |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                 | 60,782  | 34,205  | 26,577                                 |
| FICA                               | 2,508   | 2,618   | (110)                                  |
| Telephone                          | 850     | 838     | 12                                     |
| Supplies and equipment             | 550     | 699     | (149)                                  |
| Equipment purchase                 | 200     | 64      | 136                                    |
| Travel and meals                   | 100     | 0       | 100                                    |
| Advertising and printing           | 300     | 93      | 207                                    |
| Contracted services                | 0       | 27,843  | (27,843)                               |
| Glasses                            | 252     | 0       | 252                                    |
| Training and development           | 750     | 350     | 400                                    |
| Total assessor's office            | 66,292  | 66,710  | (418)                                  |
| <b>City Attorney:</b>              |         |         |                                        |
| Professional services              | 20,000  | 25,020  | (5,020)                                |
| Program materials                  | 3,000   | 809     | 2,191                                  |
| Contract negotiations              | 500     | 0       | 500                                    |
| Program materials                  | 2,000   | 4,386   | (2,386)                                |
| Court costs                        | 0       | 580     | (580)                                  |
| Total city attorney                | 25,500  | 30,795  | (5,295)                                |
| <b>City Manager:</b>               |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                 | 90,110  | 93,253  | (3,143)                                |
| FICA                               | 6,853   | 7,375   | (522)                                  |
| IT contract                        | 10,000  | 3,519   | 6,481                                  |
| Advertising                        | 400     | 415     | (15)                                   |
| Telephone                          | 1,200   | 1,574   | (374)                                  |
| Manager's expense                  | 750     | 498     | 252                                    |
| Glasses                            | 375     | 807     | (432)                                  |
| Office supplies/equipment          | 640     | 1,000   | (360)                                  |
| Training/development               | 500     | 455     | 45                                     |
| Car maintenance and supplies       | 500     | 799     | (299)                                  |
| Total city manager                 | 111,328 | 109,695 | 1,633                                  |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                        | Budget  | Actual  | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|----------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Administrative Services:</b>        |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                     | 43,474  | 42,001  | 1,473                                  |
| FICA                                   | 3,326   | 3,111   | 215                                    |
| Advertising                            | 750     | 243     | 507                                    |
| Telephone                              | 400     | 404     | (4)                                    |
| Expenses                               | 400     | 488     | (88)                                   |
| Glasses                                | 188     | 562     | (374)                                  |
| Office supplies/equipment              | 250     | 268     | (18)                                   |
| Training/development                   | 600     | 629     | (29)                                   |
| Total administrative services          | 49,388  | 47,706  | 1,682                                  |
| <b>Computer/Accounting Department:</b> |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                     | 65,997  | 65,554  | 443                                    |
| FICA                                   | 5,049   | 5,065   | (16)                                   |
| Computer consultant                    | 1,200   | 0       | 1,200                                  |
| Computer purchase contract             | 9,500   | 9,355   | 145                                    |
| Miscellaneous office supplies          | 350     | 265     | 85                                     |
| Training and development               | 350     | 50      | 300                                    |
| Travel/meals                           | 75      | 28      | 47                                     |
| Telephone                              | 900     | 1,224   | (324)                                  |
| Glasses                                | 377     | 458     | (81)                                   |
| Miscellaneous computer supplies        | 600     | 743     | (143)                                  |
| Office supplies/equipment              | 1,850   | 2,373   | (523)                                  |
| Computer forms                         | 2,500   | 1,214   | 1,286                                  |
| Total computer/accounting department   | 88,748  | 86,329  | 2,419                                  |
| <b>Elections:</b>                      |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                     | 2,000   | 1,564   | 436                                    |
| FICA                                   | 0       | 10      | (10)                                   |
| Program materials                      | 4,000   | 3,365   | 635                                    |
| Total elections                        | 6,000   | 4,939   | 1,061                                  |
| <b>Finance and Accounts:</b>           |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                     | 112,364 | 121,656 | (9,292)                                |
| FICA                                   | 8,596   | 9,572   | (976)                                  |
| Telephone                              | 850     | 940     | (90)                                   |
| Supplies and equipment                 | 4,500   | 4,837   | (337)                                  |
| Travel                                 | 100     | 0       | 100                                    |
| Program materials                      | 1,400   | 1,657   | (257)                                  |
| Recording of records                   | 16,000  | 15,874  | 126                                    |
| Glasses                                | 562     | 2,161   | (1,599)                                |
| Maintenance of office machines         | 1,600   | 2,325   | (725)                                  |
| Advertising (taxes)                    | 2,000   | 1,941   | 59                                     |
| Training and development               | 600     | 565     | 35                                     |
| Total finance and accounts             | 148,572 | 161,528 | (12,956)                               |
| <b>Tax Collector:</b>                  |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                     | 16,835  | 16,051  | 784                                    |
| FICA                                   | 1,288   | 1,232   | 56                                     |
| Telephone                              | 450     | 499     | (49)                                   |
| Office supplies                        | 250     | 2,070   | (1,820)                                |
| Training and development               | 150     | 438     | (288)                                  |
| Advertising and printing               | 2,500   | 2,541   | (41)                                   |
| Total tax collector                    | 21,473  | 22,831  | (1,358)                                |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                  | Budget    | Actual    | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Animal Officer:</b>           |           |           |                                        |
| Personnel services               | 2,700     | 1,851     | 849                                    |
| FICA                             | 206       | 122       | 84                                     |
| Professional services            | 200       | 110       | 90                                     |
| Dog licensing expenses           | 50        | 0         | 50                                     |
| Training and development         | 250       | 0         | 250                                    |
| Humane Society fees              | 6,350     | 6,210     | 140                                    |
| Program materials                | 200       | 198       | 2                                      |
| Total animal officer             | 9,956     | 8,491     | 1,465                                  |
| <b>Fire Department:</b>          |           |           |                                        |
| Personnel services               |           |           |                                        |
| Regular                          | 590,170   | 634,533   | (44,363)                               |
| Emergency management             | 12,500    | 2,600     | 9,900                                  |
| Fill in overtime                 | 33,000    | 46,661    | (13,661)                               |
| Ambulance coverage overtime      | 125,000   | 102,713   | 22,287                                 |
| Fire coverage overtime           | 46,635    | 43,273    | 3,362                                  |
| Training                         | 11,500    | 6,669     | 4,831                                  |
| Ambulance coverage part-time     | 3,000     | 8,379     | (5,379)                                |
| Fire coverage part-time          | 8,000     | 13,276    | (5,276)                                |
| Incentive pay                    | 4,925     | 5,350     | (425)                                  |
| FICA                             | 62,065    | 66,132    | (4,067)                                |
| Training and development         | 2,500     | 1,926     | 574                                    |
| Electricity                      | 4,200     | 5,033     | (833)                                  |
| Telephone                        | 2,350     | 2,593     | (243)                                  |
| Breathing apparatus              | 2,500     | 1,572     | 928                                    |
| Glasses                          | 2,812     | 1,560     | 1,252                                  |
| Furnace                          | 1,000     | 1,019     | (19)                                   |
| Fuel oil                         | 8,000     | 10,316    | (2,316)                                |
| Supplies                         | 1,500     | 2,639     | (1,139)                                |
| Building and grounds maintenance | 4,000     | 5,043     | (1,043)                                |
| Training supplies                | 3,025     | 257       | 2,768                                  |
| Car and truck maintenance        | 11,000    | 30,265    | (19,265)                               |
| Vehicle fuel                     | 3,550     | 6,266     | (2,716)                                |
| Fire alarm maintenance           | 2,500     | 1,109     | 1,391                                  |
| Radio repair                     | 750       | 250       | 500                                    |
| Physicals                        | 1,000     | 0         | 1,000                                  |
| Radios/pagers                    | 2,500     | 689       | 1,811                                  |
| Clothing                         | 7,000     | 9,375     | (2,375)                                |
| Footwear                         | 2,250     | 760       | 1,490                                  |
| Fire prevention program          | 200       | 212       | (12)                                   |
| Fire hose                        | 2,500     | 0         | 2,500                                  |
| Medical supplies and equipment   | 15,000    | 11,526    | 3,474                                  |
| Oxygen                           | 3,240     | 2,032     | 1,208                                  |
| Safety equipment                 | 10,750    | 3,371     | 7,379                                  |
| Program materials                | 1,000     | 0         | 1,000                                  |
| Computer software                | 5,190     | 9,696     | (4,506)                                |
| Ambulance lease payment          | 18,801    | 38,543    | (19,742)                               |
| Dues and membership fees         | 1,530     | 867       | 663                                    |
| Total fire department            | 1,017,443 | 1,076,505 | (59,062)                               |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                 | Budget    | Actual    | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------------|
| Police Department:              |           |           |                                        |
| Regular personnel               | 884,282   | 852,167   | 32,115                                 |
| Investigation                   | 3,000     | 26,439    | (23,439)                               |
| Meter                           | 27,432    | 27,204    | 228                                    |
| Overtime                        | 72,600    | 111,879   | (39,279)                               |
| Incentive pay                   | 5,500     | 5,400     | 100                                    |
| Dispatchers                     | 254,737   | 256,526   | (1,789)                                |
| Dispatchers - overtime          | 48,500    | 83,902    | (35,402)                               |
| Training payroll                | 7,250     | 17,385    | (10,135)                               |
| Part-time employees             | 8,750     | 7,549     | 1,201                                  |
| FICA                            | 97,540    | 113,315   | (15,775)                               |
| Telephone                       | 7,000     | 7,219     | (219)                                  |
| Office supplies                 | 3,200     | 2,903     | 297                                    |
| Dispatch center                 | 750       | 4,319     | (3,569)                                |
| Car maintenance                 | 10,000    | 11,851    | (1,851)                                |
| Vehicle fuel                    | 9,000     | 10,579    | (1,579)                                |
| Radio repair                    | 2,000     | 1,973     | 27                                     |
| Pagers                          | 1,700     | 1,752     | (52)                                   |
| Uniforms                        | 5,000     | 4,729     | 271                                    |
| Training and development        | 3,500     | 1,940     | 1,560                                  |
| Photo lab                       | 1,500     | 1,068     | 432                                    |
| Equipment - safety              | 3,000     | 3,016     | (16)                                   |
| Footwear                        | 3,800     | 3,833     | (33)                                   |
| Glasses                         | 4,250     | 4,539     | (289)                                  |
| Dry cleaning                    | 8,750     | 7,666     | 1,084                                  |
| K-9                             | 1,300     | 1,200     | 100                                    |
| Lock-Up materials               | 2,100     | 3,130     | (1,030)                                |
| Investigations materials        | 750       | 2,546     | (1,796)                                |
| Lock-Up meals                   | 1,500     | 1,097     | 403                                    |
| Machine/equipment outlay        | 4,000     | 3,002     | 998                                    |
| State computer access           | 16,000    | 12,899    | 3,101                                  |
| Physicals                       | 500       | 0         | 500                                    |
| Travel and meals                | 1,000     | 2,992     | (1,992)                                |
| Office machines maintenance     | 800       | 485       | 315                                    |
| Juvenile program                | 1,000     | 972       | 28                                     |
| Training supplies               | 1,000     | 194       | 806                                    |
| Professional services - legal   | 2,500     | 282       | 2,218                                  |
| Ammunition                      | 3,000     | 1,476     | 1,524                                  |
| Advertising                     | 500       | 2,787     | (2,287)                                |
| Meter supplies                  | 5,000     | 3,518     | 1,482                                  |
| Traffic control                 | 0         | 4,013     | (4,013)                                |
| Radios                          | 2,500     | 2,866     | (366)                                  |
| Consultant fees                 | 1,500     | 54        | 1,446                                  |
| Computer equipment and software | 4,800     | 4,993     | (193)                                  |
| Total police department         | 1,522,791 | 1,617,659 | (94,868)                               |
| City Hall Maintenance:          |           |           |                                        |
| Personnel services              | 26,512    | 33,464    | (6,952)                                |
| FICA                            | 2,029     | 2,740     | (711)                                  |
| City Hall lights                | 18,000    | 18,793    | (793)                                  |
| Supplies                        | 4,500     | 8,418     | (3,918)                                |
| Rubbish removal                 | 2,700     | 2,958     | (258)                                  |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                  | Budget  | Actual  | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| City Hall Maintenance Continued  |         |         |                                        |
| Water bills                      | 3,600   | 3,503   | 97                                     |
| City Hall improvements           | 5,000   | 7,779   | (2,779)                                |
| Fuel oil                         | 17,000  | 24,389  | (7,389)                                |
| Clothing                         | 325     | 328     | (3)                                    |
| Footware                         | 150     | 120     | 30                                     |
| Glasses                          | 188     | 163     | 25                                     |
| Total City Hall maintenance      | 80,004  | 102,655 | (22,651)                               |
| Street Lighting                  | 135,000 | 149,233 | (14,233)                               |
| Aldrich Library                  | 70,000  | 70,000  | 0                                      |
| Facilities:                      |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services               | 62,066  | 48,328  | 13,738                                 |
| Overtime                         | 1,500   | 0       | 1,500                                  |
| FICA                             | 4,862   | 3,742   | 1,120                                  |
| Water bills                      | 5,600   | 2,544   | 3,056                                  |
| Car/truck maintenance            | 2,000   | 244     | 1,756                                  |
| Field maintenance                | 5,000   | 5,217   | (217)                                  |
| Farwell rec area                 | 3,500   | 2,816   | 684                                    |
| Pool and building maintenance    | 4,000   | 7,090   | (3,090)                                |
| Vehicle fuel                     | 1,050   | 1,408   | (358)                                  |
| Office supplies                  | 400     | 381     | 19                                     |
| Electrical supplies              | 500     | 0       | 500                                    |
| Computer equipment               | 1,600   | 1,478   | 122                                    |
| Equipment outlay                 | 2,000   | 1,034   | 966                                    |
| Total facilities                 | 94,078  | 74,282  | 19,796                                 |
| Auditorium:                      |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services               | 47,788  | 50,699  | (2,911)                                |
| Overtime                         | 1,800   | 1,367   | 433                                    |
| FICA                             | 3,793   | 5,115   | (1,322)                                |
| Lights and power                 | 25,000  | 24,751  | 249                                    |
| Telephone                        | 600     | 2,187   | (1,587)                                |
| Fuel oil                         | 18,000  | 15,662  | 2,338                                  |
| Floor cleaning supplies          | 3,000   | 0       | 3,000                                  |
| Plumbing                         | 600     | 509     | 91                                     |
| Sound system                     | 1,500   | 475     | 1,025                                  |
| Rubbish removal                  | 5,000   | 3,467   | 1,533                                  |
| Building and grounds maintenance | 7,000   | 5,854   | 1,146                                  |
| Custodial supplies               | 3,500   | 3,158   | 342                                    |
| Fuel oil - Alumni Hall           | 3,500   | 10,969  | (7,469)                                |
| Maintenance- Alumni Hall         | 6,000   | 3,594   | 2,406                                  |
| Clothing                         | 975     | 698     | 277                                    |
| Furnace - maintenance            | 500     | 281     | 219                                    |
| Computer equipment               | 2,000   | 1,463   | 537                                    |
| Water bills                      | 6,900   | 5,056   | 1,844                                  |
| Footware                         | 300     | 0       | 300                                    |
| Glasses                          | 375     | 165     | 210                                    |
| Bottled gas                      | 400     | 255     | 145                                    |
| Total auditorium                 | 138,531 | 135,725 | 2,806                                  |



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 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                   | Budget         | Actual         | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>BOR - recreation:</b>          |                |                |                                        |
| Personnel services                | 47,400         | 49,589         | (2,189)                                |
| Skateguards                       | 3,100          | 2,747          | 353                                    |
| Overtime                          | 3,500          | 6,324          | (2,824)                                |
| FICA                              | 4,131          | 4,974          | (843)                                  |
| Water                             | 9,200          | 5,182          | 4,018                                  |
| Electricity                       | 33,000         | 36,659         | (3,659)                                |
| Telephone                         | 1,100          | 523            | 577                                    |
| Building and grounds              | 5,000          | 4,803          | 197                                    |
| Supplies and equipment            | 8,000          | 6,447          | 1,553                                  |
| Vehicle fuel                      | 1,000          | 0              | 1,000                                  |
| Clothing                          | 650            | 792            | (142)                                  |
| Footwear                          | 300            | 100            | 200                                    |
| Glasses                           | 375            | 0              | 375                                    |
| Custodial supplies                | 1,800          | 1,826          | (26)                                   |
| Bottled gas                       | 8,000          | 9,742          | (1,742)                                |
| <b>Total BOR - recreation</b>     | <b>126,556</b> | <b>129,708</b> | <b>(3,152)</b>                         |
| <b>Public Health:</b>             |                |                |                                        |
| Contracted services               | 3,600          | 4,100          | (500)                                  |
| Training                          | 300            | 0              | 300                                    |
| Supplies                          | 384            | 155            | 229                                    |
| <b>Total public health</b>        | <b>4,284</b>   | <b>4,255</b>   | <b>29</b>                              |
| <b>Recreation:</b>                |                |                |                                        |
| Personnel services                | 83,253         | 77,795         | 5,458                                  |
| Pool personnel                    | 28,400         | 26,252         | 2,148                                  |
| FICA                              | 8,582          | 8,023          | 559                                    |
| Telephone                         | 1,650          | 1,684          | (34)                                   |
| Office supplies                   | 750            | 320            | 430                                    |
| Travel and meals                  | 500            | 125            | 375                                    |
| Dues, memberships and fees        | 2,500          | 185            | 2,315                                  |
| Vehicle fuel                      | 0              | 6              | (6)                                    |
| Recreation programs               | 2,000          | 0              | 2,000                                  |
| Recreation supplies               | 2,000          | 1,506          | 494                                    |
| Training and development          | 600            | 390            | 210                                    |
| Municipal pool supplies/equipment | 1,200          | 555            | 645                                    |
| Tennis court equipment            | 250            | 0              | 250                                    |
| Computer                          | 1,600          | 1,463          | 137                                    |
| Advertising/printing              | 1,500          | 794            | 706                                    |
| Concession expense                | 1,000          | 0              | 1,000                                  |
| <b>Total recreation</b>           | <b>135,785</b> | <b>119,098</b> | <b>16,687</b>                          |
| <b>Sanitary Landfill:</b>         |                |                |                                        |
| Property tax                      | 1,200          | 1,184          | 16                                     |
| CVSWMD assessment                 | 19,500         | 19,404         | 96                                     |
| <b>Total sanitary landfill</b>    | <b>20,700</b>  | <b>20,588</b>  | <b>112</b>                             |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE --  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                     | Budget         | Actual         | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Building and Housing:</b>        |                |                |                                        |
| Personnel services                  | 66,293         | 53,315         | 12,978                                 |
| FICA                                | 5,071          | 4,628          | 443                                    |
| Telephone                           | 750            | 735            | 15                                     |
| Supplies and equipment              | 500            | 2,421          | (1,921)                                |
| Travel and meals                    | 1,000          | 628            | 372                                    |
| Printing and advertising            | 600            | 604            | (4)                                    |
| Glasses                             | 282            | 100            | 182                                    |
| Computer equipment                  | 1,500          | 1,683          | (183)                                  |
| Training and development            | 400            | 451            | (51)                                   |
| <b>Total building and housing</b>   | <b>76,396</b>  | <b>64,565</b>  | <b>11,831</b>                          |
| <b>Engineering Department:</b>      |                |                |                                        |
| Personnel services                  | 146,233        | 151,526        | (5,293)                                |
| FICA                                | 11,187         | 11,698         | (511)                                  |
| Office supplies                     | 750            | 1,275          | (525)                                  |
| Office machines maintenance         | 300            | 659            | (359)                                  |
| Vehicle maintenance                 | 300            | 101            | 199                                    |
| Telephone                           | 1,200          | 1,046          | 154                                    |
| Dues, fees and books                | 125            | 0              | 125                                    |
| Uniforms                            | 650            | 648            | 2                                      |
| Engineering equipment               | 375            | 83             | 292                                    |
| Footwear                            | 300            | 0              | 300                                    |
| Radio maintenance                   | 100            | 0              | 100                                    |
| Computer equipment                  | 1,500          | 205            | 1,295                                  |
| Glasses                             | 470            | 378            | 92                                     |
| <b>Total engineering department</b> | <b>163,490</b> | <b>167,619</b> | <b>(4,129)</b>                         |
| <b>Planning and Zoning:</b>         |                |                |                                        |
| Personnel services                  | 51,319         | 52,442         | (1,123)                                |
| FICA                                | 3,926          | 4,045          | (119)                                  |
| Telephone                           | 700            | 649            | 51                                     |
| Supplies and equipment              | 750            | 825            | (75)                                   |
| Travel and meals                    | 300            | 83             | 217                                    |
| Advertising and printing            | 2,200          | 1,419          | 781                                    |
| Glasses                             | 375            | 0              | 375                                    |
| Dues, memberships and fees          | 8,200          | 7,932          | 268                                    |
| Training and development            | 1,000          | 749            | 251                                    |
| <b>Total planning and zoning</b>    | <b>68,770</b>  | <b>68,144</b>  | <b>626</b>                             |
| <b>Community Development:</b>       |                |                |                                        |
| Professional services               | 25,000         | 20,000         | 5,000                                  |
| Barre Partnership                   | 20,000         | 20,000         | 0                                      |
| <b>Total community development</b>  | <b>45,000</b>  | <b>40,000</b>  | <b>5,000</b>                           |
| <b>Public Parks and Trees:</b>      |                |                |                                        |
| Public parks maintenance            | 6,800          | 14,076         | (7,276)                                |
| Tree removal                        | 1,000          | 0              | 1,000                                  |
| <b>Total public parks and trees</b> | <b>7,800</b>   | <b>14,076</b>  | <b>(6,276)</b>                         |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
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 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                    | Budget  | Actual  | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| Street Department - Public Works:  |         |         |                                        |
| Personnel services                 | 388,787 | 355,228 | 33,559                                 |
| FICA                               | 29,742  | 29,991  | (249)                                  |
| Personal claims                    | 500     | 0       | 500                                    |
| Training/development               | 500     | 676     | (176)                                  |
| Travel and meals                   | 500     | 0       | 500                                    |
| Electricity                        | 5,500   | 5,076   | 424                                    |
| Rubbish removal                    | 1,920   | 2,683   | (763)                                  |
| Telephone                          | 1,800   | 1,826   | (26)                                   |
| Equipment rental - snow            | 5,000   | 11,351  | (6,351)                                |
| Equipment rental - streets         | 1,000   | 2,258   | (1,258)                                |
| Rental - personnel                 | 5,000   | 120     | 4,880                                  |
| Advertising/printing               | 800     | 1,099   | (299)                                  |
| Snow damage - vehicles             | 1,000   | 145     | 855                                    |
| Snow damage - plows                | 300     | 348     | (48)                                   |
| Barricades - lights                | 750     | 1,554   | (804)                                  |
| Culverts - surface sewer           | 500     | 0       | 500                                    |
| Guardrails                         | 500     | 602     | (102)                                  |
| Tiles and grates - surface sewer   | 4,000   | 4,404   | (404)                                  |
| Radio maintenance                  | 500     | 307     | 193                                    |
| Building and grounds maintenance   | 4,000   | 5,845   | (1,845)                                |
| Equipment maintenance - streets    | 32,000  | 23,075  | 8,925                                  |
| Snow equipment maintenance         | 9,000   | 12,494  | (3,494)                                |
| Truck maintenance - streets        | 35,000  | 31,585  | 3,415                                  |
| Office expense                     | 0       | 429     | (429)                                  |
| Bridge maintenance                 | 1,000   | 112     | 888                                    |
| Street painting                    | 6,500   | 22,846  | (16,346)                               |
| Vehicle fuel                       | 17,000  | 27,951  | (10,951)                               |
| Bottled gas                        | 1,500   | 512     | 988                                    |
| Vehicle grease/oil                 | 3,500   | 0       | 3,500                                  |
| Clothing                           | 4,500   | 3,964   | 536                                    |
| Equipment - safety                 | 700     | 1,257   | (557)                                  |
| Footwear                           | 1,800   | 1,681   | 119                                    |
| Glasses                            | 1,875   | 1,358   | 517                                    |
| Small tools                        | 1,500   | 1,416   | 84                                     |
| Supplies - garage                  | 600     | 1,508   | (908)                                  |
| Supplies - sidewalks               | 0       | 913     | (913)                                  |
| Supplies - new street construction | 0       | 313     | (313)                                  |
| Supplies - surface sewer           | 3,500   | 3,682   | (182)                                  |
| Supplies - streets                 | 1,500   | 79      | 1,421                                  |
| Supplies - snow removal            | 5,000   | 0       | 5,000                                  |
| Fuel oil - garage                  | 4,500   | 6,912   | (2,412)                                |
| Asphalt - new street construction  | 50,000  | 30,098  | 19,902                                 |
| Asphalt - sidewalks                | 500     | 535     | (35)                                   |
| Bituminous hot mix - streets       | 5,000   | 6,280   | (1,280)                                |
| Bituminous hot mix - surface sewer | 1,000   | 2,964   | (1,964)                                |
| Chloride - snow removal            | 3,000   | 2,913   | 87                                     |
| Concrete - sidewalks               | 0       | 285     | (285)                                  |
| Gravel - streets                   | 0       | 88      | (88)                                   |
| Gravel - surface sewer             | 750     | 26      | 724                                    |
| Kold patch - streets               | 3,000   | 4,702   | (1,702)                                |
| Salt                               | 90,000  | 87,207  | 2,793                                  |
| Sand                               | 4,000   | 3,973   | 27                                     |
| Sand - surface sewer               | 200     | 0       | 200                                    |

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 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                        | Budget  | Actual  | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|----------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| Street Department Continued            |         |         |                                        |
| Street signs                           | 4,000   | 5,659   | (1,659)                                |
| Bridge evaluation work                 | 2,000   | 0       | 2,000                                  |
| Computer equipment                     | 1,700   | 1,478   | 222                                    |
| Total street department - public works | 748,724 | 711,808 | 36,916                                 |
| Transfers                              | 31,500  | 31,500  | 0                                      |
| City Employees Insurance:              |         |         |                                        |
| Life insurance                         | 26,706  | 26,533  | 173                                    |
| Dental insurance                       | 26,401  | 24,574  | 1,827                                  |
| Blue Cross/Blue Shield                 | 588,038 | 597,624 | (9,586)                                |
| Total City employees insurance         | 641,145 | 648,731 | (7,586)                                |
| City Pension Plan:                     |         |         |                                        |
| Consultant services                    | 5,000   | 9,644   | (4,644)                                |
| City pension plan                      | 197,252 | 205,275 | (8,023)                                |
| Total City pension plan                | 202,252 | 214,919 | (12,667)                               |
| Contingency Reserve                    | 8,000   | 4,855   | 3,145                                  |
| Debt Service:                          |         |         |                                        |
| Principal payment                      | 86,814  | 127,961 | (41,147)                               |
| General Insurance:                     |         |         |                                        |
| Workman's compensation                 | 155,544 | 168,461 | (12,917)                               |
| General liability insurance            | 125,918 | 117,610 | 8,308                                  |
| Special liability insurance            | 9,485   | 16,187  | (6,702)                                |
| Total general insurance                | 290,947 | 302,258 | (11,311)                               |
| Interest Expense                       | 128,117 | 111,939 | 16,178                                 |
| Separations/Retirement (FSL):          |         |         |                                        |
| Retirements (sick leave)               | 1,000   | 2,225   | (1,225)                                |
| FICA                                   | 75      | 0       | 75                                     |
| Total separations/retirement (FSL)     | 1,075   | 2,225   | (1,150)                                |
| Unemployment Insurance                 | 10,096  | 3,917   | 6,179                                  |
| Washington County Tax                  | 32,919  | 32,919  | 0                                      |
| Voter Approved Assistance              | 80,200  | 80,200  | 0                                      |
| Special Projects:                      |         |         |                                        |
| Special Projects - police              | 0       | 66,880  | (66,880)                               |
| Special Projects - fire                | 0       | 6,088   | (6,088)                                |
| Special Projects - custodial           | 0       | 6,304   | (6,304)                                |
| Special Projects - FICA                | 0       | 4,990   | (4,990)                                |
| Total special projects                 | 0       | 84,262  | (84,262)                               |

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
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 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                               | Budget             | Actual           | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Miscellaneous Expenses:       |                    |                  |                                        |
| General assistance program    | 4,000              | 1,155            | 2,845                                  |
| Miscellaneous                 | 0                  | 7,214            | (7,214)                                |
| Bike path                     | 0                  | 0                | 0                                      |
| Hill/Ayer Street project      | 0                  | 0                | 0                                      |
| Total miscellaneous expenses  | <u>4,000</u>       | <u>8,369</u>     | <u>(4,369)</u>                         |
| Total expenditures            | <u>6,561,286</u>   | <u>6,829,400</u> | <u>(268,114)</u>                       |
| EXCESS REVENUE (EXPENDITURES) | <u>\$ (60,000)</u> | 1,303            | <u>\$ 61,303</u>                       |
| FUND BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003   |                    | <u>20,033</u>    |                                        |
| FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004  |                    | <u>\$ 21,336</u> |                                        |

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**ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH REPORT**

**— of the —**

**CITY OF BARRE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**BARRE, VERMONT**

**For the Year Ending  
June 30, 2004**

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## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Barre Supervisory Union provides administrative services to the Barre City and Barre Town

School Districts for grade kindergarten through eight, to Spaulding High School Union District for grades nine through twelve, and to the Barre Regional Vocational Technical Center. It employs a superintendent, business manager, technology coordinator, special services director, and administrative assistants.

The superintendent's office continues to work hard to have financial credibility. The audits for all of the accounts have been completed and the system is working well. Copies of these audits are available to the public at the superintendent's office. The superintendent continues to work with the administration and staff to improve education.

The following goals were established for the 2004-05 school year:

### **Supervisory Union-Wide Goals**

1. Refine/revise teacher supervision and evaluation model. We are considering reducing the number of competencies within each domain, eliminating specific timelines for completion of evaluations, and reducing scoring rubrics from four to three.
2. Continue work on data management systems.
  - a. Develop uniform report cards at Barre City and Barre Town.
  - b. Improve availability and accessibility of data for program evaluation.
3. In budget preparation process for Barre City and Spaulding High School, explore the feasibility of opening an off-campus therapeutic program for students who exhibit behavior challenges.
4. Start the development of a pre-K-12 program/curriculum for learning disabled students.
5. Collaborate with private day care providers on licensing and curriculum issues for preschool children.

### **School-Based Goals**

SHS/BTC - As part of the campus vision, implement a teacher/advisor system and use program evaluation techniques to judge accomplishments.

BCEMS - Implement all-day kindergarten and use program evaluation techniques to judge accomplishments.

I would like to thank the school boards, Barre City Council, Barre Town Selectmen, and all of the voters for their very positive support of the school system.

**DOROTHY R. ANDERSON**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

## **REPORT OF THE BARRE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS**

The Barre City Board offers quality education at a cost affordable to the taxpayers. Most new programs are started and maintained through grants or Medicaid money thus adding value to the educational experience without depending on property taxes to fund the programs.

We are proud that our full range of programs meets the needs of a diverse student population. Along with regular classroom instruction and additional instruction in the arts, physical education, health, technology education, and family and consumer science, Barre City Elementary and Middle School (BCEMS) offers programs for high-achieving students, students for whom English is a second language, students with special needs, students who do not meet the Vermont standards, and very young students enrolled in early education.

We strive to improve services to our students and families.

- Work continues on improving science and math instruction.
- After-school programs provide extended recreational and educational opportunities.
- Full-day kindergarten is up and running.
- Funding for an off-site therapeutic/academic program for students with emotional challenges is in the final approval stage.

We thank the community of Barre for its support of the Barre City Elementary and Middle School.

Anita Ristau, Chair  
Marcia Biondolillo, Vice Chair  
Anita Chadderton, Clerk

Martin Prevost  
Harry Daniels  
James Ward

Paul Simonetta  
Sal D'Agostino  
Jeff Anton



## Barre City School District

### Board of School Commissioners

|                                      | Term<br>Ward | Expires |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| Anita Ristau, Chair .....            | 2            | 2007    |
| Marcia Biondolillo, Vice Chair ..... | 1            | 2006    |
| Anita Chadderton, Clerk .....        | 3            | 2006    |
| Paul Simonetta .....                 | 2            | 2006    |
| Salvatore D'Agostino .....           | 1            | 2005    |
| Harry Daniels .....                  | 3            | 2007    |
| Martin Prevost .....                 | 3            | 2005    |
| James Ward .....                     | 2            | 2005    |
| Jeff Anton .....                     | 1            | 2005(7) |

Regular meetings of the Barre City Board of School Commissioners are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Barre City Elementary and Middle School Library.



## Barre City Supervisory Union

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**ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT  
STATISTICAL TABLES RELATING TO FINANCING  
OF SCHOOLS**

**Table I  
Cost Per Pupil in Average Membership 2003-2004**

|         | Elementary<br>School | Middle<br>School | High<br>School | *Vocational | All<br>Schools |
|---------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1999-00 | 6,259.54             | 6,402.33         | 7,566.10       | 8,766.09    | 7,420.00       |
| 2000-01 | 6,586.24             | 6,587.81         | 8,044.90       | 7,925.49    | 7,346.25       |
| 2001-02 | 6,770.82             | 6,638.72         | 8,289.08       | 9,129.17    | 7,632.00       |
| 2002-03 | 7,404.11             | 7,313.69         | 8,032.50       | 9,603.50    | 7,867.57       |
| 2003-04 | 7,395.30             | 6,776.06         | 8,097.19       | 10,682.48   | 7,912.79       |

\* State law requires vocational costs to be figured separately beginning with fiscal year 1986.

**Table II  
How the Dollar was Spent in Fiscal Year 2004**

| Functions                         | BCEMS   | SHS/BRVTC |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Administration .....              | 5.70    | 9.06      |
| Instruction .....                 | 32.49   | 46.02     |
| Health Services .....             | 0.80    | 0.67      |
| Transportation .....              | 3.11    | 0.00      |
| Operation & Maint. Of Plant ..... | 5.97    | 7.32      |
| Fixed Charges/Debt Serviced ..... | 4.54    | 2.79      |
| Special Education .....           | 13.26   | 12.38     |
| Vocational .....                  | 0.00    | 18.49     |
| Assessment SHS/VOC .....          | 31.02   | 0.00      |
| Supervisory Union .....           | 3.12    | 3.27      |
|                                   | 100.00% | 100.00%   |

**Table III  
Source of Dollar in Fiscal Year 2004**

| Source                      | BCS     | SHS/VOC |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Taxes .....                 | 6.99    | 0.00    |
| Tuition (Other Towns) ..... | 0.00    | 7.65    |
| Assessment to SHS .....     | 0.00    | 70.15   |
| Other Local Revenue .....   | .11     | .22     |
| State Sources .....         | 90.45   | 21.85   |
| Federal Sources .....       | 2.14    | 0.00    |
| Interest .....              | .31     | .12     |
|                             | 100.00% | 100.00% |

**Table IV**  
**Total Enrollment of Pupils for School Year 2003-2004**

| <b>Grades</b> | <b>Barre City<br/>PreK-8</b> | <b>Spaulding<br/>H.S.</b> | <b>Totals</b> |
|---------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| EEE           | 38                           |                           | 38            |
| K/Pre-K       | 103                          |                           | 103           |
| 1             | 88                           |                           | 88            |
| 2             | 88                           |                           | 88            |
| 3             | 100                          |                           | 100           |
| 4             | 108                          |                           | 108           |
| 5             | 95                           |                           | 95            |
| 6             | 102                          |                           | 102           |
| 7             | 109                          |                           | 109           |
| 8             | 91                           |                           | 91            |
| 9             |                              | 259                       | 259           |
| 10            |                              | 244                       | 244           |
| 11            |                              | 224                       | 224           |
| 12            |                              | 227                       | 227           |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>922</b>                   | <b>954</b>                | <b>1876</b>   |

**Table V**  
**Enrollment of Pupils in the City of Barre**  
**During the Years 2000-2004**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>BCMES</b> | <b>SHS</b> | <b>Totals</b> |
|-------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| 2000-01     | 948          | 1,075      | 2,023         |
| 2001-02     | 955          | 1,076      | 2,031         |
| 2002-03     | 899          | 1,024      | 1,923         |
| 2003-04     | 922          | 954        | 1,876         |

## Barre Supervisory Union Financial Summary

|                           | 2002-03<br>Budget | 2002-03<br>Actual | 2003-04<br>Budget | 2003-04<br>Actual | 2004-05<br>Budget |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Revenues:</b>          |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Interest                  | 0                 | 6,744             | 0                 | 5,787             | 0                 |
| SU Assessment-BC          | 314,164           | 314,164           | 316,496           | 316,496           | 261,381           |
| SU Assessment-SHS         | 294,093           | 294,093           | 306,389           | 306,389           | 257,793           |
| SU Assessment-BRVTC       | 62,875            | 62,875            | 64,019            | 64,019            | 53,552            |
| SU Assessment-BTWES       | 280,563           | 280,563           | 286,296           | 286,296           | 279,594           |
| Misc Income               | 0                 | 12,198            | 0                 | 9,003             | 0                 |
| Ch II Reimb Audit         | 490               | 490               | 500               | 500               | 500               |
| Title I Reimb Audit       | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             | 1,000             |
| Math/Sci Reimb Admin      | 200               | 200               | 200               | 200               | 200               |
| Medicaid Sub Grant        | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| Fund Balance              | 24,366            | 24,366            | 36,133            | 36,133            | 37,214            |
| <b>Total Revenues</b>     | <b>977,750</b>    | <b>996,693</b>    | <b>1,011,033</b>  | <b>1,025,823</b>  | <b>891,234</b>    |
| <b>Expenditures:</b>      |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Curriculum                | 34,628            | 33,927            | 37,111            | 36,090            | 38,218            |
| Technology                | 195,470           | 191,391           | 207,222           | 202,184           | 208,292           |
| Board of Education        | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 2,445             |
| Superintendent            | 194,486           | 195,619           | 204,182           | 208,239           | 202,205           |
| Spec & Comp Ed            | 135,028           | 119,512           | 128,998           | 124,387           | 130,555           |
| Finance Office            | 283,029           | 261,306           | 289,603           | 284,136           | 284,620           |
| Plant Operation           | 139,873           | 132,722           | 143,917           | 119,877           | 24,900            |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b> | <b>982,514</b>    | <b>934,478</b>    | <b>1,011,033</b>  | <b>974,914</b>    | <b>891,234</b>    |

## Barre City School District Federal/State Aid Revenue Summary

|                                | 2002-03          |  | 2002-03          |  | 2003-04          |  | 2003-04          |  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|--|------------------|--|------------------|--|------------------|--|
|                                | Budget           |  | Actual           |  | Budget           |  | Actual           |  |
| <b>Revenues:</b>               |                  |  |                  |  |                  |  |                  |  |
| SPED Mainstream Block Grant    | 349,422          |  | 349,422          |  | 368,930          |  | 368,930          |  |
| SPED Intensive Reimb           | 358,496          |  | 672,426          |  | 349,091          |  | 753,609          |  |
| SPED Extra Reimb               | 41,751           |  | 5,754            |  | 5,000            |  | 1,031            |  |
| SPED Early Ess Ed              | 55,117           |  | 55,231           |  | 61,912           |  | 45,263           |  |
| SPED Care & Custody            | 0                |  | 25,466           |  | 0                |  | 63,455           |  |
| SPED IDEA-B                    | 183,385          |  | 119,861          |  | 231,532          |  | 222,146          |  |
| SPED IDEA-B Preschool          | 12,523           |  | 12,523           |  | 17,378           |  | 10,584           |  |
| <b>Total Gen'l Revenues</b>    | <b>1,000,693</b> |  | <b>1,240,684</b> |  | <b>1,033,843</b> |  | <b>1,465,018</b> |  |
| General State Aid              | 7,621,691        |  | 7,621,524        |  | 7,969,577        |  | 7,976,142        |  |
| State Aid Constr Debt          | 0                |  | 0                |  | 0                |  | 0                |  |
| State Education Fund           | 837,753          |  | 819,255          |  | 803,721          |  | 814,023          |  |
| State Transportation Aid       | 134,218          |  | 148,229          |  | 136,291          |  | 142,736          |  |
| <b>Total State/Federal Aid</b> | <b>8,593,662</b> |  | <b>8,589,008</b> |  | <b>8,909,589</b> |  | <b>8,932,901</b> |  |

# BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FY 2001-02 REVENUE SUMMARY BUDGET

|                                      | 1998-99<br>BUDGET | 1998-99<br>ACTUAL | 1999-00<br>BUDGET | 1999-00<br>ACTUAL | 2000-01<br>BUDGET | 2001-02<br>BUDGET |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Prior Year's Fund Balance            | 133,500           |                   | 443,971           | 232,475           | 276,735           | 211,696           |
| 1510 Interest                        | 37,000            | 80,564            | 37,000            | 58,128            | 37,000            | 50,000            |
| 1910 Rentals                         | 500               | 2,049             | 500               | 2,024             | 500               | 500               |
| 1990 Misc. Income                    | 600               | 9,351             | 600               | 13,366            | 600               | 600               |
| 1990 Reimb. from Sup. Un.-Supt. Off  | 10,321            | 10,321            | 10,321            | 10,321            | 10,321            | 10,321            |
| 1990 Reimb. from Spaulding HS        | 49,639            | 46,639            | 14,386            | 14,861            | 15,426            | 30,450            |
| 1990 LTD Proceeds for Computers      | 0                 | 80,000            | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 1990 VSBIT Refund                    | 6,000             | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 3100 State Sub Pay Reimbursement     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 3150 Transportation Reimbursement    | 106,814           | 107,368           | 111,982           | 129,565           | 123,898           | 133,886           |
| 1362 Spec. Ed. Tuitions - Life Skill | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 14,661            | 0                 | 0                 |
| 3201 Spec.Ed.-Mainstream Block Gr.   | 326,316           | 331,253           | 331,253           | 330,486           | 332,752           | 336,199           |
| 3202 Spec.Ed.-Intensive Reimb.       | 288,183           | 279,801           | 277,148           | 266,051           | 328,835           | 322,219           |
| 3203 Spec.Ed.-Extraordinary Reimb.   | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 3204 Spec.Ed.-Early Essential Ed.    | 48,647            | 51,180            | 51,180            | 50,278            | 50,278            | 52,494            |
| 3205 Spec.Ed. - Care & Custody       | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 3460 State Wards Tuition             | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| 4226 Spec.Ed. - IDEA/B               | 71,100            | 68,711            | 80,000            | 95,831            | 111,825           | 118,699           |
| 4228 Spec.Ed. - IDEA/B Pre-School    | 14,300            | 14,273            | 14,000            | 15,942            | 15,942            | 16,635            |
| TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES               | 1,092,920         | 1,081,510         | 1,372,341         | 1,233,989         | 1,304,112         | 1,283,699         |
| 3110 State Property Tax              | 7,378,494         | 7,354,849         | 7,065,489         | 7,013,314         | 7,059,849         | 7,254,831         |
| 3160 Cap. Debt Hold Harmless         | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 30,566            | 20,178            |
| 1110 Local Property Taxes            | 886,266           | 886,266           | 1,229,128         | 723,951           | 824,402           | 918,827           |
| 3115 Local Share from Education Fund | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 551,160           | 676,439           | 808,646           |
| 1991 Gen. State Aid Construction     | 271,504           | 441,111           | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| TOTAL K-12 REVENUES                  | 9,629,184         | 9,763,736         | 9,665,958         | 9,522,434         | 9,895,368         | 10,286,383        |
| 1110 SHSUD Assessment                | 3,054,704         | 3,054,704         | 2,945,808         | 2,945,808         | 2,888,029         | 2,994,249         |

**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FY2001-02  
EXPENSE SUMMARY BUDGET**

|                                   | 1998-99<br>BUDGET | 1998-99<br>ACTUAL | 1999-00<br>BUDGET | 1999-00<br>ACTUAL | 2000-01<br>BUDGET | 2001-02<br>BUDGET |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1100 Regular Program Instruction  | 2,308,453         | 2,203,892         | 2,322,891         | 2,256,329         | 2,391,708         | 2,550,234         |
| 1102 Art                          | 98,577            | 84,588            | 90,316            | 89,281            | 90,836            | 91,702            |
| 1104 English Second Language      | 8,612             | 9,995             | 15,600            | 19,905            | 22,050            | 27,000            |
| 1106 Foreign Language             | 73,253            | 72,881            | 79,502            | 38,905            | 75,850            | 73,480            |
| 1107 Technology/Family Life       | 79,374            | 85,362            | 91,724            | 90,388            | 98,265            | 98,126            |
| 1108 Physical Education           | 135,505           | 137,857           | 141,824           | 125,940           | 130,992           | 133,580           |
| 1112 Instructional Music          | 157,709           | 158,418           | 168,499           | 165,336           | 176,212           | 175,129           |
| 1118 Enrichment                   | 24,990            | 24,296            | 25,562            | 26,071            | 26,005            | 24,037            |
| 1125 Reading Recovery             | 0                 | 0                 | 6,204             | 10,288            | 10,215            | 9,596             |
| 1126 High Achievers               | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 8,809             | 4,066             |
| 1128 Technology                   | 101,293           | 165,932           | 117,600           | 107,810           | 101,340           | 104,664           |
| 1190 Health Education             | 36,528            | 37,073            | 39,182            | 38,689            | 41,506            | 41,993            |
| 1410 Co-Curricular                | 6,281             | 6,205             | 5,473             | 4,596             | 5,867             | 5,891             |
| 2113 STAT Program                 | 65,889            | 68,803            | 68,749            | 72,763            | 73,246            | 76,599            |
| 2120 Guidance                     | 165,598           | 172,728           | 175,940           | 175,084           | 181,597           | 188,071           |
| 2130 Health Services              | 69,845            | 67,011            | 75,037            | 71,022            | 76,987            | 80,777            |
| 2210 Curriculum Services          | 0                 | 0                 | 35,723            | 29,857            | 38,735            | 41,351            |
| 2220 Library Services             | 155,466           | 160,395           | 167,864           | 163,327           | 168,632           | 168,134           |
| 2310 Board of Education           | 45,435            | 47,133            | 30,000            | 24,672            | 31,860            | 27,387            |
| 2321 Office of Superintendent     | 282,549           | 286,073           | 246,215           | 246,901           | 274,728           | 285,600           |
| 2410 Office of Principal          | 248,095           | 250,031           | 259,227           | 254,811           | 276,470           | 280,442           |
| 2600 Plant Operation & Maint.     | 449,686           | 472,888           | 468,464           | 505,810           | 495,737           | 546,082           |
| 2711 Transportation               | 230,563           | 248,912           | 248,680           | 263,179           | 269,493           | 284,804           |
| 5100 Debt Service-Long Term       | 616,494           | 587,771           | 576,607           | 570,437           | 552,742           | 562,106           |
| Regular Ed Subtotal               | 5,360,195         | 5,346,244         | 5,457,103         | 5,357,573         | 5,621,904         | 5,882,853         |
| 1201 Mainstream Special Education | 424,150           | 406,224           | 444,540           | 402,604           | 461,144           | 544,086           |
| 1202 IDEA-B                       | 73,624            | 63,461            | 94,000            | 701               | 112,027           | 113,461           |
| 1205 Multihandicapped Program     | 260,989           | 274,196           | 251,220           | 296,954           | 272,451           | 228,756           |
| 1209 Deaf Education               | 2,720             | 1,908             | 2,720             | 1,796             | 2,720             | 2,680             |
| 1210 Residential Placements       | 0                 | 39,578            | 24,086            | 22,496            | 85,024            | 80,007            |
| 1213 Adaptive P.E.                | 8,150             | 3,533             | 5,240             | 2,860             | 5,520             | 5,320             |
| 1214 EEE Program                  | 135,555           | 139,809           | 142,942           | 158,819           | 142,850           | 90,773            |
| 1216 Special Ed. STAT             | 112,888           | 114,779           | 124,557           | 126,702           | 131,535           | 131,120           |
| 1217 Speech Language Path.        | 141,223           | 150,859           | 127,501           | 160,075           | 123,196           | 164,523           |
| 1220 Psychological Testing        | 55,496            | 46,207            | 47,238            | 45,678            | 48,965            | 48,555            |
| Sped Subtotal                     | 1,214,285         | 1,260,552         | 1,264,044         | 1,218,684         | 1,385,432         | 1,409,281         |
| <b>TOTAL K-8 EXPENDITURES</b>     | <b>6,574,480</b>  | <b>6,608,796</b>  | <b>6,721,147</b>  | <b>6,576,257</b>  | <b>7,007,336</b>  | <b>7,292,134</b>  |

**BARRE CITY ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL  
FY'04 EARNINGS FOR STAFF  
FISCAL 7/1/03-6/30/04**

| NAME                | SALARY       |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Adams, Clarissa     | \$ 34,736.00 |
| Ainsworth, Peggy    | 49,013.00    |
| Aldrich, Shane A    | 30,405.00    |
| Anderson, Cheryl    | 44,326.00    |
| Armitage, Kendra    | 30,205.00    |
| Assman, Debra       | 1,255.92     |
| Babic, Linda        | 46,516.00    |
| Bagalio, Elinor     | 16,421.41    |
| Baltz, Gerald       | 30,205.00    |
| Baker, Julia B      | 45,626.00    |
| Baldwin Jr, Maynard | 2,583.00     |
| Bancroft, Judy      | 33,205.00    |
| Bartlett, Marjorie  | 13,621.08    |
| Batchelder, David   | 75,715.12    |
| Batchelder, Sandra  | 49,046.31    |
| Beaudet, Paula      | 36,619.00    |
| Benoit, Nancy       | 34,624.00    |
| Bensen, Margaret    | 38,360.00    |
| Besette, Shelley    | 34,056.00    |
| Bickford, Judy A    | 42,187.66    |
| Biondillo, Marcia   | 1,000.00     |
| Blake, Jeffrey      | 35,793.00    |
| Bogardus, Amy       | 30,205.00    |
| Bolles, Marilyn     | 16,421.41    |
| Bowles, Matthew     | 31,655.00    |
| Bradley, Gregg      | 29,220.01    |
| Bradley, Jamin      | 26,304.76    |
| Brouillette, Carol  | 812.00       |
| Brugger, Barbara    | 32,772.00    |
| Buonano, Marianne   | 46,063.00    |
| Burt, Palmia        | 17,836.13    |
| Butler, Luciann     | 42,261.00    |
| Campbell, Gail      | 1,542.00     |
| Campisi, Joanne     | 46,516.00    |
| Cassani, Mary Anne  | 9,749.90     |
| Castle, Lisa        | 30,205.00    |
| Cecchini, Kristina  | 1,421.00     |
| Chadderton, Anita   | 1,000.00     |
| Chaloux, Susan      | 16,070.15    |
| Chapell, Janet      | 48,726.37    |
| Chenette, Barbara   | 640.00       |
| Chenette, Linda     | 24,370.04    |
| Chilson, Marie      | 50,717.00    |
| Chouinard, Donna    | 4,792.00     |
| Clark, Rebecca      | 17,212.23    |
| Cloutier, Melissa   | 8,479.95     |



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|-----------------------|-----------|
| Cody, Beth            | 8,208.06  |
| Costello, Adeia       | 1,300.00  |
| Cote, Michele         | 38,277.00 |
| Couture, Alison       | 11,870.76 |
| D'Agostino, Salvatore | 1,000.00  |
| Dall, Barbara         | 40,158.36 |
| Daniels, Harry        | 1,000.00  |
| Delia, Karol          | 28,728.24 |
| Devine, Richard       | 51,857.00 |
| Donald, Carol         | 17,386.49 |
| Douse, Kimberly       | 32,895.00 |
| Duprey, Kathy         | 50,057.00 |
| Eno, Christie         | 36,957.39 |
| Erickson, Pamela      | 13,624.33 |
| Erickson, Rachael     | 31,285.00 |
| Fair, Melissa         | 30,205.00 |
| Farnham, Christine    | 30,205.00 |
| Felch, Lisa           | 30,205.00 |
| Flood, Diana          | 12,470.75 |
| Florucci, Bambi       | 31,144.23 |
| Fowler, Sandra        | 8,597.32  |
| Francesco, Loretta    | 10,169.65 |
| Friot, Anita          | 19,853.81 |
| Fritjofson, Claudia   | 53,161.00 |
| Gallas, Stephen       | 44,406.00 |
| Gauthier, Deborah     | 30,205.00 |
| Gauthier, Vickie      | 45,419.00 |
| Gehlbach, Mary        | 34,856.00 |
| Gillen, Sandra        | 47,563.00 |
| Gingras, Aline        | 522.00    |
| Goodwin, Deborah      | 34,078.46 |
| Goodyear, Mary        | 42,211.00 |
| Gregoire, Cindy       | 36,086.45 |
| Gricci, James         | 13,231.44 |
| Haldane, Tricia       | 31,533.48 |
| Harvie, Sharon        | 36,690.73 |
| Hawley, Kathryn       | 31,715.00 |
| Heath, Karen          | 42,673.00 |
| Hendrickson, Kirsten  | 31,485.00 |
| Hennesey, Paula       | 18,376.99 |
| Hickey, Lisa          | 3,156.31  |
| Hicks, Ruth           | 16,613.00 |
| Hinton, Karen         | 6,792.36  |
| Hofling, Linda        | 20,284.77 |
| Hulbert, Elizabeth    | 49,657.00 |
| Hull, Mary            | 36,676.00 |
| Hunt, Lynn            | 23,460.11 |
| Hunt, Peggy           | 6,262.00  |
| Huskes, Doreen        | 21,094.34 |
| Ilacqua, Christine    | 30,934.40 |
| Indorf, Cathleen      | 8,774.00  |
| Jacobs, Sharon        | 36,624.00 |
| Jaminet, Heather      | 39,644.00 |

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|------------------------|-----------|
| Janz, Colleen          | 13,050.43 |
| Jean-Cornell, Annette  | 1,992.87  |
| Jones, Judith          | 40,364.00 |
| Jones, Peter           | 25,823.88 |
| Kalat, Brigitte        | 31,505.00 |
| Kalat, Mark            | 34,776.00 |
| Kelley, Susan          | 7,920.67  |
| Kilton, Shellie        | 12,722.45 |
| Koepl-Medina, Sharon   | 57,158.15 |
| Kunz, Barbara          | 812.00    |
| Lafaille, Meredith     | 13,346.67 |
| Lamarre, Linda         | 46,059.00 |
| Laybourne, Leisa       | 12,337.00 |
| Leal, George           | 6,186.18  |
| Leblanc, Nancy         | 14,113.73 |
| Longchamp, Marjorie    | 4,350.00  |
| Lussier, Alisha        | 11,996.99 |
| MacCormack, Jr., Lloyd | 26,913.87 |
| Marceau, Samantha      | 10,456.24 |
| Martin, Denise         | 41,154.00 |
| Martin, Patricia       | 13,662.89 |
| Maurais, Kathy         | 12,846.54 |
| McAllister, Donna      | 43,042.00 |
| McDannold, Teresa      | 522.00    |
| McHenry, Alex B        | 961.54    |
| McMahan, Stephanie     | 34,705.03 |
| McPherson, Estelle     | 24,833.11 |
| McVeigh, Patricia      | 54,510.04 |
| Micheli, Karen         | 15,650.75 |
| Minoli, Carol          | 46,063.00 |
| Mislak, Michael        | 30,205.00 |
| Mitchell, Kelly        | 9,688.64  |
| Moran, Lorraine        | 44,779.00 |
| Morris, Lorraine       | 30,205.00 |
| Morse, Susan           | 11,123.49 |
| Noyes, Jessica         | 54,361.00 |
| Nunn, April            | 6,142.95  |
| O'Connor, Margaret     | 12,422.41 |
| Oszajca, Beverly       | 55,140.00 |
| Otis, Tina             | 609.00    |
| Padilla, Virginia      | 12,435.96 |
| Parker, Emily          | 23,620.46 |
| Paton, Debbie          | 592.00    |
| Pepi, Laura            | 32,017.00 |
| Phalen, Mary           | 1,300.00  |
| Pierce, Amanda         | 30,019.01 |
| Pirie, Susan           | 15,617.56 |
| Potter, Kasey          | 30,205.00 |
| Pratt, Cynthia         | 657.00    |
| Prevost, Christopher   | 1,000.00  |
| Pugh, Angela           | 8,696.76  |
| Reese, William         | 31,225.00 |
| Richardson, Angela     | 1,187.03  |

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Richardson, Patricia    | 44,779.00 |
| Ristau, Anita           | 1,500.00  |
| Ritzo, Marie            | 24,954.49 |
| Rodriguez, Linda        | 28,046.90 |
| Rouleau, Donna          | 19,080.85 |
| Rupp, Colleen           | 928.00    |
| Rupp, Maureen           | 12,775.00 |
| Sanborn, Timothy        | 10,876.00 |
| Sequeira-Bacher Julie   | 30,205.00 |
| Sheldon, Irene          | 15,158.22 |
| Sichel, Marjorie        | 11,836.60 |
| Simonetta, Paul         | 1,000.00  |
| Singer, Sheryl          | 30,205.00 |
| Sohlstrom, Kristin      | 13,190.68 |
| Solt, Lauren            | 54,361.00 |
| Sprague, Gary           | 37,701.36 |
| Stacey, Becky           | 11,429.14 |
| Sutton, Helen           | 46,063.00 |
| Taffel, James           | 75,715.12 |
| Tapper, John            | 30,555.00 |
| Taylor, Richard         | 31,198.56 |
| Thygesen, Beverly       | 8,703.66  |
| Thygesen, Denise        | 14,257.82 |
| Tofani, Valerie         | 9,138.03  |
| Triano, Leanne          | 39,810.00 |
| Trujillo, Karen         | 1,314.00  |
| Tucker-Stook, Carolyn   | 36,790.00 |
| Valsangiacomo, Margaret | 6,970.80  |
| Vanderlinde-Abe, Paul   | 1,514.07  |
| Walker, John            | 29,327.38 |
| Walz, Leslie            | 51,147.00 |
| Ward, Jim               | 1,000.00  |
| Warman, Patricia        | 1,257.80  |
| Watt, Debra             | 46,063.00 |
| White, Brent            | 39,392.78 |
| White, Mary             | 1,556.01  |
| Whitham, Jessica        | 1,189.00  |
| Wilde, Jody             | 34,736.00 |
| Willett, Donna          | 15,135.67 |
| Woods, Valerie          | 10,552.50 |
| Woodward, Patricia      | 26,700.00 |
| Woodworth, Kim          | 17,738.63 |
| Young, Richard          | 11,113.18 |
| Ziske, Eugene           | 50,555.66 |
| Ziske, John             | 3,712.00  |

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**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AUDIT REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**JUNE 30, 2004**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 8, 2004

Board of School Directors  
Barre City School District  
Barre, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Barre City School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U. S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As described in the Notes, the District adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*, GASB Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus* and GASB No. 38, *Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures*, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 9, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by U. S. generally accepted accounting principles. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Respectfully submitted,

*Fothergill Segale & Valley CPAs*

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**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004**

Our discussion and analysis of Barre City School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. Please read it in conjunction with the School District's financial statements that begin on page 10.

**Financial Highlights**

- The School District's net assets increased by \$24,436, approximately 0.4%, as a result of this year's operations.
- Total cost of all of the School District's programs was \$11,389,290 this year.
- The General Fund reported a deficit this year of \$34,980 that was \$301,909 better than what was budgeted.
- The unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$301,909 as of June 30, 2004. This amount represents the amount of funds available for future budgets.

**Using This Annual Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (Exhibits A and B) provide information about the activities of the School District as a whole and present a longer-term view of the School District's finances. Fund financial statements start on Exhibit C. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the School District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the School District's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the School District acts solely as an agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

*Reporting the School District as a Whole*

The financial statements of the School District as a whole are reflected on Exhibit A and Exhibit B. One of the most important questions asked about the School District's finances is, "Is the School District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the School District as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenue and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net assets and changes in them. You can think of the School District's net assets – the difference between assets and liabilities – as one way to measure the School District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the School District's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

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You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the School District's property tax base and the condition of the School District's capital assets, to assess the overall health of the School District.

All of the School District's basic services are governmental activities. They include regular and special education for Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, High School costs, support services, administrative services, transportation, interest on long-term debt and other activities. Property taxes and state grants finance most of these activities.

*Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds*

The financial statements of the School District's major governmental funds are reflected on Exhibit C through Exhibit G. These fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds – not the School District as a whole. The School Board establishes the funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants and other money (like grants received from the State of Vermont Department of Education).

*Governmental Funds*

All of the School District's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the School District's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in Exhibits D and F.

*The School District as Agent*

The School District is the fiscal agent for funds held for various school related activities. All of the School District's fiduciary activities are Agency Funds and are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.



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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**The School District as a Whole**

This is the first year that we are implementing GASB 34. We are not able to provide meaningful comparisons for the government wide financial statements. Future analysis will include comparisons to prior years.

The School District's combined net assets increased by \$24,436 from a year ago – increasing from \$6,141,770 to \$6,166,206. Our analysis below focuses on the change in the components of net assets (Table 1) and change in net assets (Table 2) of the School District's governmental activities.

Table 1  
Net Assets

|                                            | Governmental<br>Activities<br>2004 |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Current and other assets                   | \$ 1,280,775                       |
| Capital assets                             | 8,147,993                          |
| Total assets                               | <u>9,428,768</u>                   |
| Bond and notes payable                     | 2,990,000                          |
| Other liabilities                          | <u>272,562</u>                     |
| Total liabilities                          | <u>3,262,562</u>                   |
| Net assets:                                |                                    |
| Invested in capital assets,<br>net of debt | 5,157,993                          |
| Restricted for capital projects            | 385,371                            |
| Unrestricted                               | 622,842                            |
| Total net assets                           | <u>\$ 6,166,206</u>                |

Unrestricted net assets – the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements decreased from \$647,801 at June 30, 2003, to \$622,842 at June 30, 2004, a decrease of \$24,959.

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Table 2  
Change in Net Assets

|                                          | Governmental<br>Activities<br>FY 2004 |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| REVENUE                                  |                                       |
| Program revenue:                         |                                       |
| Operating grants and revenue             | \$ 1,692,649                          |
| General revenue:                         |                                       |
| Property taxes - local                   | 786,503                               |
| Property taxes - education fund          | 814,023                               |
| State aid - general                      | 7,976,142                             |
| Earnings on investments                  | 34,473                                |
| Other general revenue                    | 109,936                               |
| Total revenue                            | <u>11,413,726</u>                     |
| PROGRAM EXPENSES                         |                                       |
| Regular instruction and related services | 3,272,299                             |
| Special Education and related services   | 1,972,727                             |
| Support services - student based         | 526,599                               |
| Administrative support services          | 696,045                               |
| Buildings and grounds                    | 938,770                               |
| Transportation                           | 332,451                               |
| Interest on long-term debt               | 162,160                               |
| High School assessment                   | 3,319,239                             |
| On behalf payments                       | 169,000                               |
| Total program expenses                   | <u>11,389,290</u>                     |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets        | <u>\$ 24,436</u>                      |

*Governmental Activities*

Property tax rates for the School District decreased by 3.1% from fiscal year 2003 due to a 2.5% budget increase and reduction in the community's common level of appraisal (CLA).

Table 3 presents the cost of each of the School District's five largest programs – regular instruction and related services, high school assessment, special education and related services, buildings and grounds, and administrative support services – as well as each program's net cost (total cost less revenue generated by the activities). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the School District's taxpayers by each of these functions.

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Table 3  
Governmental Activities

|                                          | Total Cost<br>of Services | Net Cost<br>of Services |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                          | 2004                      | 2004                    |
| Regular instruction and related services | \$ 3,272,299              | \$ 3,272,299            |
| High School assessment                   | 3,319,239                 | 3,319,239               |
| Special education and related services   | 1,972,727                 | 591,814                 |
| Buildings and grounds                    | 938,770                   | 938,770                 |
| Administrative support services          | 696,045                   | 696,045                 |
| All others                               | 1,190,210                 | 878,474                 |
| Totals                                   | <u>\$ 11,389,290</u>      | <u>\$ 9,696,641</u>     |

**The School District's Funds**

As the School District completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the Balance Sheet on Exhibit C) reported a combined fund balance of \$1,036,196, which is less than last year's total balance of \$1,046,502. Included in this year's total change in fund balance is a deficit of \$34,980 in the School District's General Fund and a surplus of \$24,674 in the Capital Projects Fund.

Please see Exhibit G for a comparison of actual to budget that shows where the favorable and unfavorable variances arose during the year. Some revenue and expenditure items were not included in the approved budget because they netted out to no effect.

*General Fund Budgetary Highlights*

Over the course of the year, the School District administrators monitor actual results compared to budget. Most notable was an increase in investment earnings (\$16,022), an increase in Special Education (\$71,271) and Transportation (\$6,445) revenue. Expenditure adjustment reflected increases in Special Education (\$23,811) that was in part offset by \$63,454 in revenue generated by students who are wards of the state. Operations and maintenance expense exceeded budget by \$23,692 and the instructional program was under expended by \$204,078.

Medicaid related program expenses amounted to \$87,391 with these costs offset by a similar revenue amount generated by school spending eligible for Medicaid re-investment funds.

Quarterly financial reports reviewed by the Board of School Directors served as the vehicle for monitoring the budget for the fiscal year.

Overall, the School District used \$34,980 of the budgeted \$336,889 expected to be used of its fund balance. The difference, \$304,909, was added to fund balance and will be used in future years.

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**Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

*Capital Assets*

At June 30, 2004, the School District had \$8,147,993 invested in a broad range of capital assets that include elementary school buildings, furniture and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation. (See Table 4 below) This amount represents a net decrease (including adjustments) of \$300,280 over last year.

Table 4  
Capital Assets at Year-End  
(Net of Depreciation)

|                            | Governmental<br>Activities |                     |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
|                            | 2004                       | 2003                |
| Land                       | \$ 229,304                 | \$ 229,304          |
| Fields                     | 32,349                     | 32,349              |
| Buildings and improvements | 10,035,403                 | 10,035,403          |
| Furniture and equipment    | 993,549                    | 1,019,567           |
| Accumulated depreciation   | (3,142,612)                | (2,868,350)         |
| Totals                     | <u>\$ 8,147,993</u>        | <u>\$ 8,448,273</u> |

*Debt*

At year-end, the School District had \$2,990,000 in bonds and notes outstanding versus \$3,315,000 last year – a decrease of \$325,000 – as shown in Table 5.

Table 5  
Outstanding Debt at Year-End

|                        | Governmental<br>Activities |                     | Increase<br>(Decrease) |
|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
|                        | 2004                       | 2003                |                        |
| Vermont Municipal Bond | \$ 1,880,000               | \$ 2,100,000        | \$ (220,000)           |
| Vermont Municipal Bond | 1,110,000                  | 1,215,000           | (105,000)              |
| Totals                 | <u>\$ 2,990,000</u>        | <u>\$ 3,315,000</u> | <u>\$ (325,000)</u>    |

**BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The School District's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2005 budget for school operations. One of those factors is the economy and unemployment in the region – which now stands at 2.4% compared with 4.7% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate in October, 2004 of 3.1 % and the national rate of 5.5% for the same month.

When adopting the budget for the 2004-2005 school year, the School Board took into account these indicators as well as enrollment growth, increased home values and re-appraisal. Property taxes were reduced by 8.6% due in part to the state Act 68 school funding legislation and the 2.62% increase in expenditures over the fiscal year 2004 budget.

The School District's General Fund balance is expected to decrease modestly by the close of fiscal year 2005.

Negotiations will begin in FY 2005 for both the professional staff and the paraprofessional staff, as both these contracts expire June 30, 2005. Negotiations may not be completed by June 30, 2005.

**Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Barre School District Principal's Office at Barre School District, Barre, Vermont.

## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT A

## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                                                          |                  | Governmental<br>Activities |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                                                            |                  |                            |                    |
| Cash                                                                                     | \$               | 920,395                    |                    |
| Accounts receivable - State of Vermont                                                   |                  | 36,768                     |                    |
| Accounts receivable - other                                                              |                  | 60,000                     |                    |
| Due from Barre Supervisory Union                                                         |                  | 189,484                    |                    |
| Due from Spaulding High School                                                           |                  | 65,094                     |                    |
| Prepaid expenses                                                                         |                  | 9,034                      |                    |
| Capital assets                                                                           |                  |                            |                    |
| Land                                                                                     | 229,304          |                            |                    |
| Property and equipment (net of allowance for<br>accumulated depreciation of \$3,142,612) | <u>7,918,689</u> | <u>8,147,993</u>           |                    |
| Total capital assets                                                                     |                  |                            | 9,428,768          |
| Total assets                                                                             |                  |                            |                    |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                                                                       |                  |                            |                    |
| Accounts payable                                                                         |                  | 212,045                    |                    |
| Deferred revenue                                                                         |                  | 17,648                     |                    |
| Accrued interest                                                                         |                  | 14,483                     |                    |
| Accrued compensated absences due within one year                                         |                  | 14,886                     |                    |
| Bonds and notes payable due within one year                                              |                  | 325,000                    |                    |
| Accrued compensated absences due after one year                                          |                  | 13,500                     |                    |
| Bonds and notes payable due after one year                                               |                  | <u>2,665,000</u>           |                    |
| Total liabilities                                                                        |                  |                            | <u>3,262,562</u>   |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                                                                        |                  |                            |                    |
| Restricted for capital projects                                                          |                  | 385,371                    |                    |
| Unrestricted                                                                             |                  | 622,842                    |                    |
| Investment in capital assets, net of debt                                                |                  | <u>5,157,993</u>           |                    |
| Total net assets                                                                         |                  |                            | <u>\$6,166,206</u> |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT B

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

| <u>Functions/Programs</u>                | <u>Expenses</u>      | <u>Operating<br/>Grants and<br/>Contributions</u> | <u>Net (Expense)<br/>Revenue and<br/>Changes<br/>in Net Assets<br/>Governmental<br/>Activities</u> |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Governmental Activities:                 |                      |                                                   |                                                                                                    |
| Regular instruction and related services | \$ 3,272,299         | \$ 0                                              | \$ (3,272,299)                                                                                     |
| Special education and related services   | 1,972,727            | 1,380,913                                         | (591,814)                                                                                          |
| Support services - student based         | 526,599              | 0                                                 | (526,599)                                                                                          |
| Administrative support services          | 696,045              | 0                                                 | (696,045)                                                                                          |
| Buildings and grounds                    | 938,770              | 0                                                 | (938,770)                                                                                          |
| Transportation                           | 332,451              | 142,736                                           | (189,715)                                                                                          |
| Interest on long-term debt               | 162,160              | 0                                                 | (162,160)                                                                                          |
| High School assessment                   | 3,319,239            | 0                                                 | (3,319,239)                                                                                        |
| On behalf payments                       | 169,000              | 169,000                                           | 0                                                                                                  |
| Total governmental activities            | <u>\$ 11,389,290</u> | <u>\$ 1,692,649</u>                               | <u>(9,696,641)</u>                                                                                 |
| General Revenue:                         |                      |                                                   |                                                                                                    |
| Property tax - local share               |                      |                                                   | 786,503                                                                                            |
| Property tax - education fund            |                      |                                                   | 814,023                                                                                            |
| State aid - general                      |                      |                                                   | 7,976,142                                                                                          |
| Earnings on investments                  |                      |                                                   | 34,473                                                                                             |
| Other local share income                 |                      |                                                   | 109,936                                                                                            |
| Total general revenue                    |                      |                                                   | <u>9,721,077</u>                                                                                   |
| Change in net assets                     |                      |                                                   | 24,436                                                                                             |
| Net assets - July 1, 2003                |                      |                                                   | <u>6,141,770</u>                                                                                   |
| Net assets - June 30, 2004               |                      |                                                   | <u>\$ 6,166,206</u>                                                                                |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT C

## BALANCE SHEET

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2004

|                                        | General<br>Fund     | Special<br>Revenue<br>Fund | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                          |                     |                            |                             |                                |
| Cash                                   | \$ 854,192          | \$ 0                       | \$ 66,203                   | \$ 920,395                     |
| Accounts receivable - State of Vermont | 36,768              | 0                          | 0                           | 36,768                         |
| Accounts receivable - other            | 60,000              | 0                          | 0                           | 60,000                         |
| Due from Barre Supervisory Union       | 189,484             | 0                          | 0                           | 189,484                        |
| Due from Spaulding High School         | 65,094              | 0                          | 0                           | 65,094                         |
| Due from other funds                   | 0                   | 17,648                     | 319,168                     | 336,816                        |
| Prepaid expenses                       | 9,034               | 0                          | 0                           | 9,034                          |
| Total assets                           | <u>\$ 1,214,572</u> | <u>\$ 17,648</u>           | <u>\$ 385,371</u>           | <u>\$ 1,617,591</u>            |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>   |                     |                            |                             |                                |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                     |                     |                            |                             |                                |
| Accounts payable                       | \$ 212,045          | \$ 0                       | \$ 0                        | \$ 212,045                     |
| Due to other funds                     | 336,816             | 0                          | 0                           | 336,816                        |
| Deferred revenue                       | 0                   | 17,648                     | 0                           | 17,648                         |
| Compensated absences                   | 14,886              | 0                          | 0                           | 14,886                         |
| Total liabilities                      | <u>563,747</u>      | <u>17,648</u>              | <u>0</u>                    | <u>581,395</u>                 |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>                   |                     |                            |                             |                                |
| Reserved for fiscal year 2004-2005     | 348,916             | 0                          | 0                           | 348,916                        |
| Reserved for capital projects          | 0                   | 0                          | 385,371                     | 385,371                        |
| Unreserved                             | 301,909             | 0                          | 0                           | 301,909                        |
| Total fund balances                    | <u>650,825</u>      | <u>0</u>                   | <u>385,371</u>              | <u>1,036,196</u>               |
| Total liabilities and fund balances    | <u>\$ 1,214,572</u> | <u>\$ 17,648</u>           | <u>\$ 385,371</u>           | <u>\$ 1,617,591</u>            |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT D

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

TOTAL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ 1,036,196

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the  
statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not  
financial resources and therefore are not reported as  
assets in governmental funds. The cost of the assets is  
\$11,290,605, and the accumulated depreciation is \$3,142,612. 8,147,993

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due  
and payable in the current period and therefore are not  
reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at  
year end consist of:

|                              |               |                    |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Bonds and notes payable      | 2,990,000     |                    |
| Accrued compensated absences | 13,500        |                    |
| Accrued interest             | <u>14,483</u> | <u>(3,017,983)</u> |

TOTAL NET ASSETS - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 6,166,206

## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT E

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                             | General<br>Fund   | Special<br>Revenue<br>Fund | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Total<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>             |                   |                            |                             |                               |
| Property taxes              |                   |                            |                             |                               |
| State education             | \$ 814,023        | \$ 0                       | \$ 0                        | \$ 814,023                    |
| Local share                 | 761,503           | 0                          | 25,000                      | 786,503                       |
| Intergovernmental - Federal | 232,730           | 141,134                    | 0                           | 373,864                       |
| Intergovernmental - State   | 9,038,536         | 0                          | 0                           | 9,038,536                     |
| Medicaid                    | 0                 | 87,391                     | 0                           | 87,391                        |
| Interest (net)              | 34,022            | 0                          | 451                         | 34,473                        |
| Other revenue               | 17,644            | 92,292                     | 0                           | 109,936                       |
| On-behalf payments          | 169,000           | 0                          | 0                           | 169,000                       |
| Total revenues              | <u>11,067,458</u> | <u>320,817</u>             | <u>25,451</u>               | <u>11,413,726</u>             |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>         |                   |                            |                             |                               |
| Voc/SHS Assessment          | 3,319,239         | 0                          | 0                           | 3,319,239                     |
| Instruction                 | 3,283,379         | 0                          | 0                           | 3,283,379                     |
| Special education           | 1,651,133         | 0                          | 0                           | 1,651,133                     |
| Co-curricular               | 5,963             | 0                          | 0                           | 5,963                         |
| Stat program services       | 78,112            | 0                          | 0                           | 78,112                        |
| Guidance                    | 206,508           | 0                          | 0                           | 206,508                       |
| Health services             | 85,301            | 0                          | 0                           | 85,301                        |
| Curriculum services         | 41,048            | 0                          | 0                           | 41,048                        |
| Library services            | 109,667           | 0                          | 0                           | 109,667                       |
| Board of Education          | 41,135            | 0                          | 0                           | 41,135                        |
| Office of Superintendent    | 333,541           | 0                          | 0                           | 333,541                       |
| Office of Principal         | 321,369           | 0                          | 0                           | 321,369                       |
| Operation and maintenance   | 638,490           | 0                          | 0                           | 638,490                       |
| Transportation              | 332,451           | 0                          | 0                           | 332,451                       |
| Debt service                | 486,102           | 0                          | 0                           | 486,102                       |
| Title IIA                   | 0                 | 141,134                    | 0                           | 141,134                       |
| Medicaid                    | 0                 | 87,391                     | 0                           | 87,391                        |
| Other grants                | 0                 | 92,292                     | 777                         | 93,069                        |
| On-behalf payments          | 169,000           | 0                          | 0                           | 169,000                       |
| Total expenditures          | <u>11,102,438</u> | <u>320,817</u>             | <u>777</u>                  | <u>11,424,032</u>             |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT E

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                      | General<br>Fund   | Special<br>Revenue<br>Fund | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Total<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES<br>OVER EXPENDITURES | (34,980)          | 0                          | 24,674                      | (10,306)                      |
| FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2003                         | 685,805           | 0                          | 360,697                     | 1,046,502                     |
| FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2004                        | <u>\$ 650,825</u> | <u>\$ 0</u>                | <u>\$ 385,371</u>           | <u>\$ 1,036,196</u>           |

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## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT F

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT  
OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                        |    |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----|----------|
| TOTAL NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS | \$ | (10,306) |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----|----------|

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures.

However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. (300,280)

Repayment of bond and notes principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. 323,942

In the statement of activities, accrued compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This year, compensated absences used exceeded the amounts earned by \$11,080.

11,080

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 24,436

## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT G

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
COMPARED TO BUDGET - GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                      | Original<br>and Final<br>Budget | Actual            | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                                      |                                 |                   |                                        |
| Property taxes                                       |                                 |                   |                                        |
| State education                                      | \$ 803,721                      | \$ 814,023        | \$ 10,302                              |
| Local share                                          | 778,370                         | 761,503           | (16,867)                               |
| Intergovernmental - Federal                          | 248,910                         | 232,730           | (16,180)                               |
| Intergovernmental - State                            |                                 |                   |                                        |
| General State Aid                                    | 7,969,577                       | 7,976,142         | 6,565                                  |
| State Transportation Aid                             | 136,291                         | 142,736           | 6,445                                  |
| Mainstream reimbursement                             | 368,930                         | 368,930           | 0                                      |
| Intensive reimbursement                              | 349,091                         | 440,980           | 91,889                                 |
| Essential Early Education                            | 61,912                          | 45,263            | (16,649)                               |
| Other programs                                       | 5,000                           | 64,485            | 59,485                                 |
| Superintendent's Office reimbursement                | 6,000                           | 6,000             | 0                                      |
| Interest (net)                                       | 18,000                          | 34,022            | 16,022                                 |
| Other revenue                                        | 30,054                          | 11,644            | (18,410)                               |
| Total revenues                                       | <u>10,775,856</u>               | <u>10,898,458</u> | <u>122,602</u>                         |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                                  |                                 |                   |                                        |
| Voc/SHS Assessment                                   | 3,319,239                       | 3,319,239         | 0                                      |
| Instruction                                          | 3,487,457                       | 3,283,379         | 204,078                                |
| Special education                                    | 1,627,322                       | 1,651,133         | (23,811)                               |
| Co-curricular                                        | 6,014                           | 5,963             | 51                                     |
| Stat program services                                | 95,500                          | 78,112            | 17,388                                 |
| Guidance                                             | 211,507                         | 206,508           | 4,999                                  |
| Health services                                      | 85,878                          | 85,301            | 577                                    |
| Curriculum services                                  | 43,800                          | 41,048            | 2,752                                  |
| Library services                                     | 140,096                         | 109,667           | 30,429                                 |
| Board of Education                                   | 41,427                          | 41,135            | 292                                    |
| Office of Superintendent                             | 333,096                         | 333,541           | (445)                                  |
| Office of Principal                                  | 315,381                         | 321,369           | (5,988)                                |
| Operation and maintenance                            | 614,798                         | 638,490           | (23,692)                               |
| Transportation                                       | 305,128                         | 332,451           | (27,323)                               |
| Debt service                                         | 486,102                         | 486,102           | 0                                      |
| Total expenditures                                   | <u>11,112,745</u>               | <u>10,933,438</u> | <u>179,307</u>                         |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES<br>OVER EXPENDITURES | <u>\$ (336,889)</u>             | <u>(34,980)</u>   | <u>\$ 301,909</u>                      |
| FUND BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003                          |                                 | <u>685,805</u>    |                                        |
| FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004                         |                                 | <u>\$ 650,825</u> |                                        |

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BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2004

EXHIBIT H

|                              | Agency<br>Funds  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| ASSETS                       |                  |
| Cash                         | <u>\$ 45,709</u> |
| LIABILITIES                  |                  |
| Due to student organizations | <u>\$ 45,709</u> |

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004

The Barre City School District (herein the "District") is organized according to state law under the governance of the School Board to provide public education for the students of the City of Barre, Vermont. This District operates one elementary school. High School education is provided through the Spaulding High School Union District (the Spaulding District), a separate union district composed of the combined City and Town of Barre, Vermont. Functions of the Office of the Superintendent and central administration are provided through the Barre Supervisory Union District (the Supervisory Union). As currently structured, the Supervisory Union is the administrative oversight district for the District, Barre Town School District, and the Spaulding District.

Except where noted, the accounting policies of the Barre City School District conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The School District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the School District are discussed below.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statements No. 34 and No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

- For the first time the financial statements include:

A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the School District's overall financial position and results of operations.

Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the School District's activities.

- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

GASB Statement No. 38 establishes and modifies certain financial statement note disclosure requirements to make the financial statements more useful in the context of GASB Statement No. 34 reporting model. The statement had an impact on the presentation of the notes to the financial statements, but no impact on net assets.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to financial statements). The School District has elected to implement the general provisions of the Statement in the current year.

*Reporting Entity*

The School District's basic financial statements include the accounts of all School operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the School District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, include whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in its own name)
- the School District holds the corporate powers of the organization
- the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- the School District is able to impose its will on the organization
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the School District
- there is fiscal dependency by the organization on the School District

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the School District has no component units.

*Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Statements*

The School District's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the School District as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the School District's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column, (b) and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The School District's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets and unrestricted net assets. The School District first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the School District's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenue (property taxes and other local revenue). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenue, operating and capital grants. Program revenue must be directly associated with the function (regular education, special education, etc.) Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants.



## BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004

(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the School District as an entity and the change in the School District's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

*Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements*

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either of the governmental categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB No. 34 and No. 37 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The School District treats all funds as major funds.

The financial transactions of the School District are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenue and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following funds are used by the School District:

**Governmental Funds**

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the School District:

General fund is the operating fund of the School District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004

(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Fiduciary Funds**

Fiduciary Funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support School District programs. The reporting focus is on net assets and changes in net assets and are reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

The School District's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (student groups) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

*Cash and Cash Equivalents*

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the government.

*Basis of Accounting*

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenue or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Accrual

Governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and the fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue is recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within one year. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Capital Assets*

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$5,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Buildings and improvements | 20 – 50 years |
| Furniture and equipment    | 5 – 20 years  |

*Accrued Compensated Absences*

Government-Wide Financial Statements – All vested or accumulated vacation leave is reported as a liability and an expense on the government-wide financial statements. Sick days are not accrued since they are not paid when the employee terminates employment.

Fund Financial Statements - Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated vacation leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements and no expenditure is reported for these accounts. Unused sick days may be accumulated to use in the following year, but sick days are not accrued since they are not paid when the employee terminates employment.

*Net Assets*

Net Assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities in the statement of net assets. Net assets invested in capital assets are reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed by their use by District legislation or external restrictions by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments.

*Fund Equity*

The fund equity of the funds is classified into the following categories:

Unreserved fund balances – Indicates the portion of fund equity that is available for appropriation and expenditure in future periods.

Reserved fund balances – Indicates the portion of fund equity that has been legally segregated for specific future purposes.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Interfund Activity*

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenue and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

*Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

*On Behalf Payments*

On behalf payments are contributions made by the State of Vermont to the State Teachers' Retirement System on behalf of the District's teaching employees. The General Fund budget does not include on behalf payments as a revenue or expense.

*Budget Adoption*

The School District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

The School Board prepares an operating budget in December for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures by line item and the means of financing them. The budget is approved at the annual district meeting by the School District voters. Budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. From time to time during the year, transfers among budget line items are made in accordance with Board policy.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 2 - CASH AND CATEGORIES OF RISK**

*Cash*

The District authorizes the Treasurer to invest excess cash in bank accounts (ex: certificates of deposits), obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds and repurchase agreements.

The District's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District. The bank balance at June 30, 2004 is categorized as follows:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Amount insured by the FDIC or collateralized with securities held by the District in its name.                                                                                                           | \$ 200,000                 |
| Amount collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department in the District's name.                                                                              | 792,089                    |
| Uncollateralized (this includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but not in the District's name). | <u>691,970</u>             |
| Total bank balance                                                                                                                                                                                       | <u><u>\$ 1,684,059</u></u> |

At June 30, 2004, the book balance of the District's deposits was \$966,104 and the bank balance was \$1,684,059. The differences between the book and bank balance is due to outstanding checks and deposits in transit.

**NOTE 3 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES**

The following is the breakdown of the funds due to/from each other:

| <u>Funds</u>            | <u>Due From</u>          | <u>Due To</u>            |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| General Fund            | \$ 0                     | \$ 336,816               |
| Special Revenue Funds   | 17,648                   | 0                        |
| Capital Projects Funds: |                          |                          |
| Capital reserve fund    | <u>319,168</u>           | <u>0</u>                 |
|                         | <u><u>\$ 336,816</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 336,816</u></u> |

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
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**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of changes in Capital Assets are as follows:

|                            | Balance<br>6/30/03  | Additions/<br>(Deletions)<br>(Depreciation) | Balance<br>6/30/04  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Land                       | \$ 229,304          | \$ 0                                        | \$ 229,304          |
| Fields                     | 32,349              | 0                                           | 32,349              |
| Buildings and improvements | 10,035,403          | 0                                           | 10,035,403          |
| Equipment and fixtures     | 1,019,567           | (26,018)                                    | 993,549             |
| Allowance for depreciation | <u>(2,868,350)</u>  | <u>(274,262)</u>                            | <u>(3,142,612)</u>  |
| Net Book Value             | <u>\$ 8,448,273</u> | <u>\$ (300,280)</u>                         | <u>\$ 8,147,993</u> |

Building and improvements are depreciated over 20 to 50 years by the straight-line method.  
Furniture and equipment are depreciated over 5 to 20 years by the straight-line method.

**NOTE 5 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

The School District allows certain employees to use vacation benefits in the subsequent year. Accrued vacation benefits of \$14,886 have been recorded in the General Fund. The School District also allows teachers and aides to accumulate sick leave that vests for retirement purposes at a contract rate. Accrued sick leave benefits of \$13,500 are based on benefits of individuals who attained age 55 and were, therefore, considered most likely to remain with the School District until retirement. This amount has been recorded in the Government-wide financial statements but not in the Fund financial statements.

**NOTE 6 - DEFERRED REVENUE**

The deferred revenue at June 30, 2004 consisted of:

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Special Revenue Funds: |                  |
| Student Assistance     | \$ 3,326         |
| Parents Plus           | 385              |
| ELF Program            | 1,062            |
| Knights of Columbus    | 481              |
| Youth Mentor Program   | 3,770            |
| Danforth Project       | <u>8,624</u>     |
| Total deferred revenue | <u>\$ 17,648</u> |

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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JUNE 30, 2004  
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**NOTE 7 – SHORT-TERM DEBT**

On July 1, 2003, the District signed a tax anticipation note with BankNorth, N.A. for \$1,131,000 at 1.14% per annum. Principal and interest were paid in full June 30, 2004.

The following is a summary of the changes in short-term debt:

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance June 30, 2003               | \$ 0               |
| Proceeds from tax anticipation note | 1,131,000          |
| Principal payments                  | <u>(1,131,000)</u> |
| Balance June 30, 2004               | <u>\$ 0</u>        |

**NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

The District had the following long-term liabilities at June 30, 2004:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, bond for new building, interest ranging between 5.409% and 6.599% , due December 1, 2012, principal payments of \$220,000 plus interest for the first 15 years, then \$200,000 plus interest for the last 5 years. | \$1,880,000        |
| Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, bond for new building, 5.902% interest, due December 1, 2014, principal payment of \$105,000 plus interest for the first 11 years, then \$100,000 plus interest for the last 9 years.                              | <u>1,110,000</u>   |
| Total bonds payable                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2,990,000          |
| Compensated absences                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <u>28,386</u>      |
| Total long-term liabilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <u>\$3,018,386</u> |

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)**

Interest paid on long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2004 was \$32,393.

*Long-term liabilities activity*

|                               | Beginning<br>Balance<br>7/1/2003 | Additions   | Reductions          | Ending<br>Balance<br>6/30/2004 | Amounts<br>Due within<br>One Year |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Bonds and notes payable:      |                                  |             |                     |                                |                                   |
| Municipal bond payable        | \$ 3,315,000                     | \$ 0        | \$ (325,000)        | \$ 2,990,000                   | \$ 325,000                        |
| Total bonds and notes payable | <u>3,315,000</u>                 | <u>0</u>    | <u>(325,000)</u>    | <u>2,990,000</u>               | <u>325,000</u>                    |
| Other liabilities:            |                                  |             |                     |                                |                                   |
| Compensated absences          | 39,466                           | 0           | (11,080)            | 28,386                         | 14,886                            |
| Total other liabilities       | <u>39,466</u>                    | <u>0</u>    | <u>(11,080)</u>     | <u>28,386</u>                  | <u>14,886</u>                     |
| Long-term liabilities         | <u>\$ 3,354,466</u>              | <u>\$ 0</u> | <u>\$ (336,080)</u> | <u>\$ 3,018,386</u>            | <u>\$ 339,886</u>                 |

Bond and note payable debt will mature approximately as follows:

|           | Principal           | Interest          | Total               |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 2005      | \$ 325,000          | \$ 141,600        | \$ 466,600          |
| 2006      | 325,000             | 160,000           | 485,000             |
| 2007      | 320,000             | 139,900           | 459,900             |
| 2008      | 320,000             | 119,400           | 439,400             |
| 2009      | 300,000             | 99,600            | 399,600             |
| 2010-2014 | <u>1,400,000</u>    | <u>218,500</u>    | <u>1,618,500</u>    |
| Totals    | <u>\$ 2,990,000</u> | <u>\$ 879,000</u> | <u>\$ 3,869,000</u> |

**NOTE 9 - RESERVED FUND BALANCES**

The reserved fund balances at June 30, 2004 consisted of:

|                                    |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund:                      |                   |
| Subsequent Year's Budget           | <u>\$ 348,916</u> |
| Capital Project Funds:             |                   |
| Reserved for long-term maintenance | <u>\$ 385,371</u> |



BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**NOTE 10 - PROPERTY TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**

*Taxes*

The residents of the City of Barre at their annual meeting approve a total budget on behalf of the Barre City School District. The City bills and collects all taxes on behalf of the District. All costs incurred in collecting taxes are borne by the City and the full amount of the tax levy is remitted to the School District. The School District then turns over the portion of taxes that belong to Spaulding High School. \$3,319,239 was turned over to Spaulding High School during the year ended June 30, 2004.

*Supervisory Union Assessment*

The School is billed for its appropriate share of expenses relating to the Barre Supervisory Union District. The School paid \$316,496 of such expenses during the year ended June 30, 2004.

**NOTE 11 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS**

*Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System*

The teachers employed by the Barre City School District are covered by the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System that is a single employer retirement system. The Vermont State statutes provide the authority under which benefit provisions and the State's obligation to contribute are established. Required contributions to the System are made by the State of Vermont based upon a valuation report prepared by the System's actuary.

The contribution amount made by the State on behalf of the participants in the State Teachers' Retirement System is approximately \$169,000.

All teachers become members of the retirement system upon employment. Teachers who became members before July 1, 1990 are Group A members. All other teachers are Group C members. Members who have Group A coverage are required to contribute at a rate of 5.5% of earnable compensation and members in Group C are required to contribute at a rate of 3.54% of earnable compensation. Vesting in these groups occurs upon reaching ten years of creditable service. All Barre teachers are either members of Groups A or C. Of the District's total payroll of \$4,791,614, \$3,615,903 was covered under the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System.

The State of Vermont issues an audited Financial Report that includes financial statements and required disclosures. This report may be obtained by writing the State Auditor of Accounts, 132 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 11 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)**

*Money Purchase Pension Plan*

All employees of the Barre City School District who are at least twenty-one years old, are not covered under the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System, and have been employed for one year are covered under a money purchase pension plan administered through the National Life Insurance Company of Vermont. Barre City School District contributes at a rate of 5% of annual compensation for custodians and 4% for other staff. The vesting schedule is 20% per year after two years and 100% after six years.

Barre City School District pays all costs accrued each year for the plan and the contribution for the year ended June 30, 2004 amounted to \$14,863. The total covered payroll was \$299,626 out of total District payroll of \$4,791,614.

**NOTE 12 - RECONCILIATION OF EXHIBIT E TO EXHIBIT G**

Amounts recorded in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Compared to Budget - General Fund (Exhibit E) are reported on the basis budgeted by the School District. Amounts recorded in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Exhibit G) for the General Fund were adjusted for on-behalf payments of fringe benefits (see Note 11) as follows:

|                           | <u>Revenues</u>      | <u>Expenditures</u>  |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Exhibit E                 | \$ 11,067,458        | \$ 11,102,438        |
| On-behalf fringe benefits | (169,000)            | (169,000)            |
| Exhibit G                 | <u>\$ 10,898,458</u> | <u>\$ 10,933,438</u> |

**NOTE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

In addition, Barre City School District is a member of Vermont School Boards' Association Insurance Trust, Inc. (VSBIT) Medical Benefits Program and Unemployment Compensation Program. VSBIT is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1978 to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont school districts and is owned by the participating districts.

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**NOTE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**

To provide health insurance coverage, VSBIT has established a self-funded fully insured program in conjunction with Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS). A portion of member contributions is used to purchase reinsurance and to fund a reserve required by the reinsurance. Contributions in excess of claims requirements, reserve fund requirements, reinsurance and administrative costs are returned to participants. The pooling agreement does not permit the pool to make additional assessments to its members.

**NOTE 14 - COMMITMENT**

The School District entered into a contract for transportation of its students with Transportation Rentals, Inc. The contract term is through June 30, 2005. The contract calls for minimum payments as follows:

|         |           |
|---------|-----------|
| FY 2005 | \$309,000 |
|---------|-----------|

**NOTE 15 - CONTINGENCY**

The School District participates in a number of Federal and State assisted grant programs that are subject to audit by the grantors or their representatives. The audits of these programs for or including the year ended June 30, 2004, have not been reviewed by the grantor agencies. Accordingly, the District's compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

**NOTE 16 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On July 1, 2004, the School District signed a tax anticipation note with BankNorth, N.A. for \$1,295,000 at 1.76% per annum with principal and interest due June 30, 2005.

**BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
AUDIT REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**JUNE 30, 2004**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

October 13, 2004

Members of the School Board  
Barre Supervisory Union District  
Barre, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Barre Supervisory Union District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in the Notes, the District adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*, GASB Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments : Omnibus* and GASB No. 38, *Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures*, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated October 13, 2004 on our consideration of the District's internal control structure over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 8, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Respectfully submitted,

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BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Our discussion and analysis of Barre Supervisory Union District's financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements which begin on page 9.

**Financial Highlights**

- The District's net assets increased by \$17,022, or 8.6% during fiscal year 2004.
- The cost of all of the District's programs was \$3,122,930 for fiscal year 2004 with a few small new programs added this year.
- The General Fund reported a surplus during fiscal year 2004 of \$14,776, which was \$50,909 better than what was budgeted.
- The unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$75,912 as of June 30, 2004. This amount represents the amount of funds available for future budgets. Reserved fund balances for the General Fund total \$37,214 as of June 30, 2004. This amount is reserved for fiscal year 2005 expenditures.
- The Special Revenue Fund which reports the activities related to Federal and State grants had \$2,140,463 of revenue and expenditures during fiscal year 2004.

**Using This Annual Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (Exhibits A and B) provide information about the activities of the District as a whole and present a longer-term view of the District's finances. Fund financial statements starting with Exhibit C include only governmental activities. These statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the District's most significant funds.

*Reporting the District as a Whole*

Our analysis of the District as a whole begins on Exhibit A. One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is, "Is the District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the District as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's net assets and changes in them. You can think of the District's net assets – the difference between assets and liabilities – as one way to measure the District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the condition of the District's capital assets, to assess the overall health of the District.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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All of the District's basic services are governmental activities. They include the superintendent's office, operations and maintenance of facilities, the finance office, the technology office, improvement of curriculum as well as the activity related to Federal, State and other grants that support Barre City School District, Barre Town School District and Spaulding High School Union District. Assessments to the member Districts and State and Federal grants finance most of these activities.

*Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds*

*Governmental Funds*

All of the School District's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the School District's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in Exhibit D and F that are included in the financial statements.

**The District as a Whole**

Our analysis below focuses on the net assets (Table 1) and changes in net assets (Table 2) of the District's governmental type activities.

Table 1  
Net Assets  
Governmental  
Activities

|                                            | 2004              | 2003              |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current and other assets                   | \$ 1,404,189      | \$ 1,343,540      |
| Capital assets                             | 108,809           | 107,563           |
| Total assets                               | <u>1,512,998</u>  | <u>1,451,103</u>  |
| Deferred revenue                           | 865,869           | 968,583           |
| Due to other Districts                     | 409,068           | 241,049           |
| Other liabilities - current                | 16,126            | 35,558            |
| Other liabilities - long term              | 7,500             | 8,500             |
| Total liabilities                          | <u>1,298,563</u>  | <u>1,253,690</u>  |
| Net assets:                                |                   |                   |
| Invested in capital assets,<br>net of debt | 108,809           | 107,563           |
| Unrestricted                               | 105,626           | 89,850            |
| Total net assets                           | <u>\$ 214,435</u> | <u>\$ 197,413</u> |



BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004  
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The District's combined net assets increased by \$17,022 or 8.6% from a year ago – increasing from \$197,413 to \$214,435. Unrestricted net assets – the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – changed from \$89,850 at June 30, 2003, to a \$105,626 at June 30, 2004. Deferred revenue represents grant balances that are available for future expenses but only for specific purposes as specified by the particular grant.

Table 2  
Change in Net Assets

|                               | Governmental<br>Activities<br>2004 |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>               |                                    |
| Program revenues:             |                                    |
| Operating grants              | \$ 2,151,485                       |
| General revenues:             |                                    |
| Assessments                   | 973,200                            |
| Other general revenues        | <u>15,267</u>                      |
| Total revenues                | <u>3,139,952</u>                   |
| <b>PROGRAM EXPENSES</b>       |                                    |
| Improvement of curriculum     | 36,090                             |
| Office of the Superintendent  | 200,692                            |
| Pupil personnel               | 124,387                            |
| Operation and maintenance     | 118,877                            |
| Finance office                | 274,141                            |
| Technology office             | 202,184                            |
| Depreciation - unallocated    | 16,296                             |
| Federal grants                | 1,799,589                          |
| State grants                  | 323,264                            |
| Other grants                  | 17,610                             |
| On behalf payments            | <u>9,800</u>                       |
| Total program expenses        | <u>3,122,930</u>                   |
| <br>Increase in<br>net assets | <br><u>\$ 17,022</u>               |

Since this is the first year that we are implementing GASB 34 we are not able to provide meaningful comparisons for the government wide financial statements that are summarized in Table 2 and Table 3. Future analysis will include comparisons to prior years.

Assessments increased from \$951,695 in fiscal year 2003 to 973,200 in fiscal year 2004, an increase of 2.3%.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004  
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Table 3 presents the cost of each of the District's six largest programs that were funded from general revenue. The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the District's members by each of these functions.

Table 3  
Governmental Activities

|                              | <u>Total Cost<br/>of Services</u> | <u>Net Cost<br/>of Services</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Improvement of curriculum    | \$ 36,090                         | \$ 34,868                       |
| Office of the Superintendent | 200,692                           | 200,692                         |
| Pupil personnel              | 124,387                           | 124,387                         |
| Operation and maintenance    | 118,877                           | 118,877                         |
| Finance office               | 274,141                           | 274,141                         |
| Technology office            | 202,184                           | 202,184                         |
| Totals                       | <u>\$ 956,371</u>                 | <u>\$ 955,149</u>               |

#### The District's Funds

As the District completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the Balance Sheet on Exhibit C) reported a combined fund balance of \$113,126, which is above last year's total of \$98,350. Included in this year's total change in fund balance is a surplus of \$14,776 in the District's General Fund and no change in the District's Special Revenue Funds.

- The Voters approved using \$36,133 of the fund balance when they approved the budget. Therefore, a surplus of \$14,776 is actually \$50,909 better than what was budgeted. Please see Exhibit G for a comparison of actual to budget that shows where the favorable and unfavorable variances arose during the year.
- The Special Revenue Funds include activity related to Federal, State and other grants. Revenue is recognized when the expenditure is incurred. Any funds received but not spent are recorded as deferred revenue. The deferred revenue at June 30, 2004 was \$865,869 compared to \$968,583 as of June 30, 2003.

#### General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Quarterly financial reports reviewed by the Board of School Directors served as the vehicle for monitoring the budget for the fiscal year. Over the course of the year, the District's management did not adjust the budget.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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General Fund revenues were greater than expenditures by \$14,776 for the year. This was \$50,909 better than the budget. The largest budget to actual variances were as follows:

|                                   | Budget   | Actual    | (Unfavorable)<br>Favorable<br>Variances |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|
| Revenues:                         |          |           |                                         |
| Miscellaneous and interest income | \$ 1,700 | \$ 15,267 | \$ 13,567                               |
| Expenditures:                     |          |           |                                         |
| Operation and maintenance         | 143,918  | 119,877   | 24,041                                  |

#### Capital Assets

At June 30, 2004, the District had \$108,809 invested in building improvements, computer equipment and office equipment. (See Table 4 below) This amount represents a net increase (including additions less depreciation) of \$1,246 over last year.

Table 4  
Capital Assets at Year-End  
(Net of Depreciation)

|                       | Governmental<br>Activities |                  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
|                       | 2004                       | 2003             |
| Building improvements | \$ 76,580                  | \$ 79,050        |
| Computer equipment    | 17,108                     | 28,513           |
| Office equipment      | 15,121                     | 0                |
| Totals                | <u>\$108,809</u>           | <u>\$107,563</u> |

This year's major additions included:

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Samsung phone system | \$ 7,547         |
| Digital copier       | 9,995            |
| Total additions      | <u>\$ 17,542</u> |

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
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**Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The District's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2004 budget for school operations. One of those factors is the economy and unemployment in the region – which now stands at 2.4% compared with 4.7% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate in October 2004 of 3.1 % and the national rate of 5.5% for the same month.

The District's General Fund fund balance is expected to increase modestly by the close of fiscal year 2005.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office at 120 Ayers St, Barre, Vermont.

## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT A

## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                                         | <u>Governmental<br/>Activities</u> |                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS                                                                  |                                    |                          |
| Cash                                                                    | \$ 1,355,151                       |                          |
| Accounts receivable:                                                    |                                    |                          |
| State of Vermont                                                        | 26,571                             |                          |
| Other School Districts                                                  | 21,520                             |                          |
| Prepaid expenses                                                        | 947                                |                          |
| Property & equipment (net of allowance<br>for depreciation of \$81,433) | <u>108,809</u>                     |                          |
| Total assets                                                            |                                    | 1,512,998                |
| LIABILITIES                                                             |                                    |                          |
| Deferred revenue                                                        | 865,869                            |                          |
| Due to other Districts                                                  | 409,068                            |                          |
| Accrued compensated absences due within one year                        | 16,126                             |                          |
| Accrued compensated absences due after one year                         | <u>7,500</u>                       |                          |
| Total liabilities                                                       |                                    | <u>1,298,563</u>         |
| NET ASSETS                                                              |                                    |                          |
| Unrestricted                                                            | 105,626                            |                          |
| Investment in capital assets,<br>net of related debt                    | <u>108,809</u>                     |                          |
| Total net assets                                                        |                                    | <u><u>\$ 214,435</u></u> |

## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

| <u>Functions/Programs</u>     | <u>Expenses</u>     | <u>Operating<br/>Grants and<br/>Contributions</u> | <u>Net (Expense)<br/>Revenue and<br/>Changes<br/>in Net Assets<br/>Governmental<br/>Activities</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Governmental Activities:      |                     |                                                   |                                                                                                    |
| Improvement of curriculum     | \$ 36,090           | \$ 1,222                                          | \$ (34,868)                                                                                        |
| Office of the Superintendent  | 200,692             | 0                                                 | (200,692)                                                                                          |
| Pupil personnel               | 124,387             | 0                                                 | (124,387)                                                                                          |
| Operation and maintenance     | 118,877             | 0                                                 | (118,877)                                                                                          |
| Finance office                | 274,141             | 0                                                 | (274,141)                                                                                          |
| Technology office             | 202,184             | 0                                                 | (202,184)                                                                                          |
| Depreciation - unallocated*   | 16,296              | 0                                                 | (16,296)                                                                                           |
| EEL Subgrant                  | 30,000              | 30,000                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title I                       | 771,907             | 771,907                                           | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title IV                      | 19,506              | 19,506                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title II A                    | 349,204             | 349,204                                           | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title II D                    | 44,446              | 44,446                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title III                     | 46,453              | 46,453                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Title V A                     | 24,055              | 24,055                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Act 230                       | 10,500              | 10,500                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Relicensing                   | 1,521               | 1,521                                             | 0                                                                                                  |
| Reading excellence            | 2,112               | 2,112                                             | 0                                                                                                  |
| EPSDT program                 | 57,865              | 57,865                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| BEST                          | 21,884              | 21,884                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Tobacco use prevention        | 17,610              | 17,610                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| IDEA B Formula grant          | 450,398             | 450,398                                           | 0                                                                                                  |
| IDEA B Pre-school flowthru    | 14,462              | 14,462                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| IDEA B Capacity               | 1,250               | 1,250                                             | 0                                                                                                  |
| Migrant Ed                    | 9,482               | 9,482                                             | 0                                                                                                  |
| Refugee impact                | 45,356              | 45,356                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| CSL grant                     | 20,958              | 20,958                                            | 0                                                                                                  |
| Medicaid IEP                  | 201,494             | 201,494                                           | 0                                                                                                  |
| On behalf payments            | 9,800               | 9,800                                             | 0                                                                                                  |
| Total governmental activities | <u>\$ 3,122,930</u> | <u>\$ 2,151,485</u>                               | <u>(971,445)</u>                                                                                   |
| General Revenues:             |                     |                                                   |                                                                                                    |
| Assessments                   |                     |                                                   | 973,200                                                                                            |
| Interest income               |                     |                                                   | 5,787                                                                                              |
| Miscellaneous                 |                     |                                                   | 9,480                                                                                              |
| Total general revenues        |                     |                                                   | <u>988,467</u>                                                                                     |
| Change in net assets          |                     |                                                   | 17,022                                                                                             |
| Net assets - July 1, 2003     |                     |                                                   | <u>197,413</u>                                                                                     |
| Net assets - June 30, 2004    |                     |                                                   | <u>\$ 214,435</u>                                                                                  |

\* This amount excludes the depreciation that is included in the direct expenses of the various programs.

## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

EXHIBIT C

## BALANCE SHEET

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2004

|                                      | General<br>Fund    | Special<br>Revenue<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                        |                    |                             |                                |
| Cash                                 | \$1,355,151        | \$ 0                        | \$ 1,355,151                   |
| Due from other Districts             | 0                  | 21,520                      | 21,520                         |
| Due from State of VT                 | 2,000              | 24,571                      | 26,571                         |
| Due from other funds                 | 0                  | 819,778                     | 819,778                        |
| Prepaid expense                      | 947                | 0                           | 947                            |
| Total assets                         | <u>\$1,358,098</u> | <u>\$ 865,869</u>           | <u>\$ 2,223,967</u>            |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b> |                    |                             |                                |
| Liabilities                          |                    |                             |                                |
| Accrued compensated absences         | \$ 16,126          | \$ 0                        | \$ 16,126                      |
| Due to other funds                   | 819,778            | 0                           | 819,778                        |
| Due to other Districts               | 409,068            | 0                           | 409,068                        |
| Deferred revenue                     | 0                  | 865,869                     | 865,869                        |
| Total liabilities                    | <u>1,244,972</u>   | <u>865,869</u>              | <u>2,110,841</u>               |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>                 |                    |                             |                                |
| Reserved for 2004-2005 expenditures  | 37,214             | 0                           | 37,214                         |
| Unreserved                           | 75,912             | 0                           | 75,912                         |
| Total fund balances                  | <u>113,126</u>     | <u>0</u>                    | <u>113,126</u>                 |
| Total liabilities and fund balances  | <u>\$1,358,098</u> | <u>\$ 865,869</u>           | <u>\$ 2,223,967</u>            |

## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT D

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

|                                          |    |         |
|------------------------------------------|----|---------|
| TOTAL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS | \$ | 113,126 |
|------------------------------------------|----|---------|

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the  
statement of net assets are different because:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Capital assets used in governmental activities are not<br>financial resources and therefore are not reported as<br>assets in governmental funds. The cost of the assets is<br>\$190,242, and the accumulated depreciation is \$81,433. | 108,809 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current  
period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.

Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:

|                               |              |                |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Accrued compensated absences. | <u>7,500</u> | <u>(7,500)</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------------|

|                                            |           |                |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| TOTAL NET ASSETS - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES | <u>\$</u> | <u>214,435</u> |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|



## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT E

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                      | General<br>Fund   | Special<br>Revenue<br>Funds | Total<br>(Memorandum<br>Only) |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| REVENUES                                             |                   |                             |                               |
| Assessments                                          | \$ 973,200        | \$ 0                        | \$ 973,200                    |
| Federal grants                                       | 1,222             | 1,799,589                   | 1,800,811                     |
| State grants                                         | 0                 | 323,264                     | 323,264                       |
| Interest income                                      | 5,787             | 0                           | 5,787                         |
| Miscellaneous                                        | 9,480             | 17,610                      | 27,090                        |
| On behalf payments                                   | 9,800             | 0                           | 9,800                         |
| Total revenues                                       | <u>999,489</u>    | <u>2,140,463</u>            | <u>3,139,952</u>              |
| EXPENDITURES                                         |                   |                             |                               |
| Improvement of curriculum                            | 36,090            | 0                           | 36,090                        |
| Office of the Superintendent                         | 208,239           | 0                           | 208,239                       |
| Pupil personnel                                      | 124,387           | 0                           | 124,387                       |
| Operation and maintenance                            | 119,877           | 0                           | 119,877                       |
| Finance office                                       | 284,136           | 0                           | 284,136                       |
| Technology office                                    | 202,184           | 0                           | 202,184                       |
| EEL Subgrant                                         | 0                 | 30,000                      | 30,000                        |
| Title I                                              | 0                 | 771,907                     | 771,907                       |
| Title IV                                             | 0                 | 19,506                      | 19,506                        |
| Title II A                                           | 0                 | 349,204                     | 349,204                       |
| Title II D                                           | 0                 | 44,446                      | 44,446                        |
| Title III                                            | 0                 | 46,453                      | 46,453                        |
| Title V A                                            | 0                 | 24,055                      | 24,055                        |
| Act 230                                              | 0                 | 10,500                      | 10,500                        |
| Relicensing                                          | 0                 | 1,521                       | 1,521                         |
| Reading excellence                                   | 0                 | 2,112                       | 2,112                         |
| EPSDT program                                        | 0                 | 57,865                      | 57,865                        |
| BEST                                                 | 0                 | 21,884                      | 21,884                        |
| Tobacco use prevention                               | 0                 | 17,610                      | 17,610                        |
| IDEA B Formula grant                                 | 0                 | 450,398                     | 450,398                       |
| IDEA B Pre-school flowthru                           | 0                 | 14,462                      | 14,462                        |
| IDEA B Capacity                                      | 0                 | 1,250                       | 1,250                         |
| Migrant Ed                                           | 0                 | 9,482                       | 9,482                         |
| Refugee impact                                       | 0                 | 45,356                      | 45,356                        |
| CSL grant                                            | 0                 | 20,958                      | 20,958                        |
| Medicaid IEP                                         | 0                 | 201,494                     | 201,494                       |
| On behalf payments                                   | 9,800             | 0                           | 9,800                         |
| Total expenditures                                   | <u>984,713</u>    | <u>2,140,463</u>            | <u>3,125,176</u>              |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES<br>OVER EXPENDITURES | 14,776            | 0                           | 14,776                        |
| FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2003                         | <u>98,350</u>     | <u>0</u>                    | <u>98,350</u>                 |
| FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2004                        | <u>\$ 113,126</u> | <u>\$ 0</u>                 | <u>\$ 113,126</u>             |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT F

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT  
OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

TOTAL NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ 14,776

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of  
activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures.

However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is  
allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.This is the amount by which capital outlays net of disposals and adjustments  
(\$17,542) exceeds depreciation expense (\$16,296) in the period.

1,246

In the statement of activities, accrued compensated absences  
are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the  
governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are  
measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially,  
the amounts actually paid). This year, compensated absences  
paid exceeded the amounts earned by \$1,000.1,000

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 17,022

## BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT

## EXHIBIT G

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - COMPARED TO BUDGET

## ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

|                                                         | General Fund                    |            |                                        | Special Revenue Funds           |           |                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------|
|                                                         | Original and<br>Final<br>Budget | Actual     | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) | Original and<br>Final<br>Budget | Actual    | Variance<br>Favorable<br>(Unfavorable) |
| REVENUES                                                |                                 |            |                                        |                                 |           |                                        |
| Assessments                                             | \$ 973,200                      | \$ 973,200 | \$ 0                                   | \$ 0                            | \$ 0      | \$ 0                                   |
| Federal grants                                          | 0                               | 1,222      | 1,222                                  | 2,171,420                       | 1,799,589 | (371,831)                              |
| State grants                                            | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 166,791                         | 323,264   | 156,473                                |
| Interest income                                         | 0                               | 5,787      | 5,787                                  | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Miscellaneous                                           | 1,700                           | 9,480      | 7,780                                  | 17,610                          | 17,610    | 0                                      |
| Total revenues                                          | 974,900                         | 989,689    | 14,789                                 | 2,355,821                       | 2,140,463 | (215,358)                              |
| EXPENDITURES                                            |                                 |            |                                        |                                 |           |                                        |
| Curriculum                                              | 37,112                          | 36,090     | 1,022                                  | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Superintendent                                          | 204,182                         | 208,239    | (4,057)                                | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Pupil personnel                                         | 128,998                         | 124,387    | 4,611                                  | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Operation/maint.                                        | 143,918                         | 119,877    | 24,041                                 | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Finance office                                          | 289,602                         | 284,136    | 5,466                                  | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| Technology office                                       | 207,221                         | 202,184    | 5,037                                  | 0                               | 0         | 0                                      |
| EEL Subgrant                                            | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 30,000                          | 30,000    | 0                                      |
| Title I                                                 | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 866,471                         | 771,907   | 94,564                                 |
| Title IV                                                | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 50,010                          | 19,506    | 30,504                                 |
| Title II A                                              | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 441,013                         | 349,204   | 91,809                                 |
| Title II D                                              | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 44,446                          | 44,446    | 0                                      |
| Title III                                               | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 81,025                          | 46,453    | 34,572                                 |
| Title V A                                               | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 50,250                          | 24,055    | 26,195                                 |
| Act 230                                                 | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 10,500                          | 10,500    | 0                                      |
| Relicensing                                             | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 3,360                           | 1,521     | 1,839                                  |
| Reading excellence                                      | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 2,112                           | 2,112     | 0                                      |
| EPSDT program                                           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 92,286                          | 57,865    | 34,421                                 |
| BEST                                                    | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 30,645                          | 21,884    | 8,761                                  |
| Tobacco use prevention                                  | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 17,610                          | 17,610    | 0                                      |
| IDEA B Formula grant                                    | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 525,169                         | 450,398   | 74,771                                 |
| IDEA B Pre-school                                       | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 27,550                          | 14,462    | 13,088                                 |
| IDEA B Capacity                                         | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 1,575                           | 1,250     | 325                                    |
| Migrant Ed                                              | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 15,485                          | 9,482     | 6,003                                  |
| Refugee impact                                          | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 45,356                          | 45,356    | 0                                      |
| CSL grant                                               | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 20,958                          | 20,958    | 0                                      |
| Medicaid IEP                                            | 0                               | 0          | 0                                      | 0                               | 201,494   | (201,494)                              |
| Total expenditures                                      | 1,011,033                       | 974,913    | 36,120                                 | 2,355,821                       | 2,140,463 | 215,358                                |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)<br>OF REVENUES OVER<br>EXPENDITURES | \$ (36,133)                     | 14,776     | \$ 50,909                              | \$ 0                            | 0         | \$ 0                                   |
| FUND BALANCES -<br>JULY 1, 2003                         |                                 | 98,350     |                                        |                                 | 0         |                                        |
| FUND BALANCES -<br>JUNE 30, 2004                        |                                 | \$ 113,126 |                                        |                                 | \$ 0      |                                        |

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004

Barre Supervisory Union District (herein the "Supervisory Union") operates under a Board-Superintendent form of government and provides administrative services to Barre City School District, Spaulding High School Union District (including Barre Area Vocational), and Barre Town School District.

The Supervisory Union, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds relevant to the operation of the Barre Supervisory Union District. The financial statements presented herein do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable State laws for separate and distinct units of government apart from the Barre Supervisory Union District.

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Supervisory Union's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Supervisory Union are discussed below.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statements No. 34 and No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

- For the first time the financial statements include:
  - A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the School District's overall financial position and results of operations.
  - Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the School District's activities.
- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

GASB Statement No. 38 establishes and modifies certain financial statement note disclosure requirements to make the financial statements more useful in the context of GASB Statement No. 34 reporting model. The statement had an impact on the presentation of the notes to the financial statements, but no impact on net assets.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to financial statements). The School District has elected to implement the general provisions of the Statement in the current year.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Reporting Entity*

The Supervisory Union's basic financial statements include the accounts of all its operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, include whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in its own name)
- the Supervisory Union holds the corporate powers of the organization
- the Supervisory Union appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- the Supervisory Union is able to impose its will on the organization
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the Supervisory Union
- there is fiscal dependency by the organization on the Supervisory Union

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the Supervisory Union has no component units.

*Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Statements*

The Supervisory Union's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Supervisory Union as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Supervisory Union's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column, (b) and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Supervisory Union's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The Supervisory Union first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Supervisory Union's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenue (assessments and other local revenue). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenue, operating and capital grants. Program revenue must be directly associated with the function (regular education, special education, etc.) Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (assessments, interest income, etc.).

The Supervisory Union does not allocate indirect costs.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Supervisory Union as an entity and the change in the Supervisory Union's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements*

The financial transactions of the Supervisory Union are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenue and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either of the governmental categories. GASB No. 34 and No. 37 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. Management has elected to categorize all funds as Major funds therefore, the Supervisory Union has no Nonmajor Funds.

The following fund types are used by the Supervisory Union:

**Governmental Funds**

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Supervisory Union:

General fund is the operating fund of the Supervisory Union. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

*Basis of Accounting*

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenue or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Accrual - Governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Modified Accrual - The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue is recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within one year after year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Capital Assets*

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$5,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis for building improvements and accelerated methods for computer and office equipment over the following estimated useful lives:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Buildings improvements        | 40 years |
| Computer and office equipment | 5 years  |

*Accrued Compensated Absences*

Government-Wide Financial Statements - All vested or accumulated vacation leave is reported as a liability and an expense on the government-wide financial statements. Sick days are not accrued since they are not paid when the employee terminates employment.

Fund Financial Statements - Vested or accumulated leave time that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated vacation leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements and no expenditure is reported for these accounts. Unused sick days may be accumulated to use in the following year, but sick days are not accrued since they are not paid when the employee terminates employment.

*Interfund Activity*

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenue and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

*Fund Equity*

The fund equity of the funds is classified into the following categories:

Unreserved fund balances - Indicates the portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation and expenditure in future periods.

Reserved fund balances - Indicates the portion of fund equity which has been legally segregated or encumbered for a specific purpose or local programs.

BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Net Assets*

Net Assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities in the statement of net assets. Net assets invested in capital assets are reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed by their use by Supervisory Union legislation or external restrictions by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments.

*Budgets and Budgetary Accounting*

The Supervisory Union budgets expenditures for the General Fund. Revenues are budgeted as assessments to the member districts. The Supervisory Union budget is prepared by the Superintendent and Supervisory Union Board. Budgeted amounts which are unexpended or unencumbered lapse at the end of each fiscal year. A copy of the proposed budget is published annually. Budgets are submitted and approved by the granting authority for all special revenue funds.

*Revenue Recognition for Grants*

Revenues from Federal, State and other grants, designated for payment of specific Supervisory Union expenditures, are recognized in the Special Revenue funds when the related expenditures are incurred. Any excess of revenues or expenditures as of the fiscal year end is recognized as deferred revenue or accounts receivable, respectively.

*Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Concentration of Support*

The Supervisory Union receives the majority of its revenue from assessments to member schools. Additionally, the Supervisory Union receives revenues from the State of Vermont as aid to education and as special education grants.

*On Behalf Payments*

On behalf payments are contributions made by the State of Vermont to the State Teachers' Retirement System on behalf of the District's teaching employees. The General Fund budget does not include on behalf payments as a revenue or expense.



BARRE SUPERVISORY UNION DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2004  
(Continued)

**NOTE 2 - RECONCILIATION OF EXHIBIT E TO EXHIBIT G**

Amounts recorded in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Compared to Budget - General Fund (Exhibit G) are reported on the basis budgeted by the Supervisory Union. Amounts recorded in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Exhibit E) for the General Fund were adjusted for on behalf payments of fringe benefits (see Note 8) as follows:

|                    | <u>Revenues</u>   | <u>Expenditures</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Exhibit E          | \$ 999,489        | \$ 984,713          |
| On behalf payments | (9,800)           | (9,800)             |
| Exhibit G          | <u>\$ 989,689</u> | <u>\$ 974,913</u>   |

**NOTE 3 - CASH**

The Treasurer invests excess cash according to policies established by the Board.

At June 30, 2004 the book balance of the Supervisory Union's deposits was \$1,355,151 and the bank balance was \$1,379,398. The differences between the book and bank balance is due to checks that have been written that have not cleared the bank and deposits in transit.

There are three categories of credit risk that apply to a government's bank balances:

1. Insured by the FDIC or collateralized with securities held by the Union or by the Union's agent in the Union's name.
2. Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or its agent in the Union's name.
3. Uncollateralized, which includes amounts collateralized with securities by the pledging financial institutions, but not in the Union's name.

The Supervisory Union's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Supervisory Union. The bank balance at June 30, 2004 is categorized as follows:

Amount insured by the FDIC or collateralized  
with securities held by the District in its name. \$ 1,379,398

**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

The summary of capital assets as of June 30, 2004 is as follows:

|                                         | <u>7/1/2003</u>   | <u>Additions</u> | <u>Depreciation</u> | <u>6/30/2004</u>  |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Building improvements                   | \$ 98,813         | \$ 0             | \$ 0                | \$ 98,813         |
| Computer and office equipment           | 73,887            | 17,542           | 0                   | 91,429            |
| Accumulated depreciation - improvements | (19,763)          | 0                | (2,470)             | (22,233)          |
| Accumulated depreciation - equipment    | <u>(45,374)</u>   | <u>0</u>         | <u>(13,826)</u>     | <u>(59,200)</u>   |
| Total                                   | <u>\$ 107,563</u> | <u>\$ 17,542</u> | <u>\$ (16,296)</u>  | <u>\$ 108,809</u> |

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**NOTE 5 - ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

The Supervisory Union allows certain employees to use vacation benefits in the subsequent year if taken by the end of August. Accrued vacation benefits of \$16,126 have been recorded in the General Fund. The Supervisory Union also allows certain employees to accumulate \$1,500 of sick leave if accrued sick leave hours are over 100 hours. Accrued sick leave benefits of \$7,500 are based on benefits of individuals who attained age 55 and were, therefore, considered most likely to remain with the Supervisory Union until retirement. This amount has been recorded in the Government-wide financial statements but not in the Fund financial statements. The change in accrued compensated absences was as follows:

|                                        | Balance<br>7/1/2003 | Increase<br>(Decrease) | Balance<br>6/30/2004 |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Accrued vacation benefits - short term | \$ 16,126           | \$ 0                   | \$ 16,126            |
| Accrued sick leave - long term         | 8,500               | (1,000)                | 7,500                |
| Total accrued compensated absences     | <u>\$ 24,626</u>    | <u>\$ (1,000)</u>      | <u>\$ 23,626</u>     |

**NOTE 6 - DEFERRED REVENUE**

The deferred revenue at June 30, 2004 consisted of:

Special Revenue Funds

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Title I                | \$ 94,566         |
| Migrant Ed             | 9,805             |
| IDEA B Capacity        | 4,076             |
| IDEA B Preschool       | 7,740             |
| IDEA B Formula         | 1,238             |
| DOE CSL                | 616               |
| Title II A             | 33,155            |
| Title II D Comp        | 5,054             |
| Title III              | 34,572            |
| Title IV               | 30,504            |
| Title V A              | 16,195            |
| Relicense Grant        | 1,839             |
| Medicaid EPSDT         | 74,688            |
| Medicaid IEP           | 549,744           |
| Gates                  | 260               |
| Teaching Standards     | 1,817             |
| Total deferred revenue | <u>\$ 865,869</u> |

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**NOTE 7 - ASSESSMENTS FROM MEMBER SCHOOLS**

The member school districts are billed for their appropriate share of expenses as follows:

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Barre City School District | \$ 316,496        |
| Spaulding High School      | 306,389           |
| Barre Area Vocational      | 64,019            |
| Barre Town School District | 286,296           |
| Total                      | <u>\$ 973,200</u> |

**NOTE 8 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS**

*State Teachers' Retirement System of Vermont*

The teachers and other teacher-certified employees employed by the Supervisory Union are covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System of Vermont which is a single employer retirement system. The Vermont State statutes provide the authority under which benefit provisions and the State's obligation to contribute are established. Required contributions to the System are made by the State of Vermont based upon a valuation report prepared by the System's actuary.

The contribution amount made by the State on behalf of the participants in the State Teachers' Retirement System is approximately \$9,800. The amount is based on prior year's contribution percentage.

All teachers become members of the retirement system upon employment. Teachers who became members before July 1, 1990 are Group A members. All other teachers are Group C members. Members who have Group A coverage are required to contribute at a rate of 5.5% of earnable compensation and members in Group C are required to contribute at a rate of 3.54% of earnable compensation. Vesting in both groups occurs upon reaching ten years of creditable service. Of the Supervisory Union's total payroll of \$802,751, \$209,977 was covered under the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System.

The State of Vermont issues an audited Financial Report that includes financial statements and required disclosures. This report may be obtained by writing the State Auditor of Accounts, 132 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602.

*Money Purchase Pension Plan*

All other employees of the Supervisory Union who are at least twenty-one years old and have been employed for one year are covered under a money purchase pension plan administered through National Life Insurance Company of Vermont. The Supervisory Union contributes at a rate of 5% of annual compensation for custodians and 4% for other staff.

The vesting schedule is 20% per year after two years and 100% after six years.

The Supervisory Union pays all costs accrued each year for the plan. The contribution for the year ended June 30, 2004 amounted to \$12,623. Under this plan, the total current year covered payroll was \$299,054. The total Supervisory Union's payroll was \$802,751.

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**NOTE 8 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)**

*Annuity*

The Business Manager makes voluntary contributions into an IRS Code Section 403(b) tax deferred plan at 6% of compensation. The Supervisory Union funds the contribution by increasing the Business Manager's salary.

**NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Supervisory Union is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees. The Supervisory Union maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Supervisory Union. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three (3) fiscal years.

In addition, Barre Supervisory Union District is a member of the Vermont School Boards' Association Insurance Trust, Inc. (VSBIT) Medical Benefits Program. VSBIT is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1978 to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont school districts and is owned by the participating districts.

To provide health insurance coverage, VSBIT has established a self-funded fully insured program in conjunction with Blue Cross and Blue Shield. A portion of member contributions is used to purchase reinsurance and to fund a reserve required by the reinsurance. Contributions in excess of claims requirements, reserve fund requirements, reinsurance and administrative costs are returned to participants. The pooling agreement does not permit the pool to make additional assessments to its members.

**NOTE 10 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Supervisory Union participates in a number of Federal and State grant programs which are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The audits of these programs for or including the year ended June 30, 2004, have not yet been reviewed by the grantor agencies. Accordingly, the Supervisory Union's compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the Supervisory Union expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The Supervisory Union is self-insured for its future unemployment claims. The Supervisory Union expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

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